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Part Four In The Series On Candidates for Office In Sierra Madre, April 2008

On The Ballot: Sierra Madre City Council

On the General Municipal Election ballot in April, Five candidates are running for City Council. Two of the candidates are incumbents, Enid Joffe and John Buchanan; One candidate, MaryAnn MacGillivray has previously served on the council. One candidate, Bill Tice, has waged two previous campaigns for a seat and Kevin Paschall, who is running for the first time.

"I Will Listen To Your Concerns"



Kevin Paachall was born and reared in Sierra Madre. His candidate statement touts an impressive list of community service including volunteering with Pioneer Days and Friends of the Pool. He has most recently been seen at the city council public comment microphone where he denounced the Rotary Club's sponsorship of the candidate's forum. He did, however, participate in the event. (See related story below).

Numerous attempts were made to sit down with Kevin for additional insight as to why he is running for office. When I last saw him, he was loading signs in the back of his truck. We spoke briefly, but not again before press time.

According to an analysis of his campaign literature and statements at the candidate's forum, Paschall implies that his Yes On Measure V position is the most important reason to vote for him. However, in a random survey around town, few people know much about him. The most commonly asked question was, "Who Is Kevin Paschall?" or "What Does He Stand For?"

Kevin's literature offers no solution for any problems the city is facing, but he is committed to "government transparency, honest and fiscal responsibility." S. Henderson/MVO

In The Crossfire: Non-Candidates Under Scrutiny

Sitting Council Member Don Watts recently expressed concern regarding what he perceives as being unfairly criticized regarding his attendance at Sierra Madre community events.

On an attendance chart that appeared online last week, it was noted that neither Council Member Watts nor Council Member Zimmerman supported through their attendance the majority of civic events held around town during the last thirteen months.

The document, which questioned whether or not council candidates endorsed by Zimmerman and Watts (Paschall and McGillivray) would also follow in their footsteps and ignore civic activities. On the list there are 29 events ranging from the last two Citizen of the Year Awards, the Centennial Kick Off and Closing, Little League Opening Day, and the Older American Of the Year Award, (partial listing). Many of these events raise money or recognize volunteers that help raise money and/or support city activities. Zimmerman attended 0 of 29 but Watts did attend the Centennial Closing Ceremonies.

When Watts contacted this paper he explained that this health has been the reason for his absences. Councilman Watts has suffered at least two strokes and a series of "TIA's" (often referred to as mini-strokes), which have impaired his ability to attend anything other than

Running For Office - Sierra Madre Rotary and League of Women Voters Hold First Public Forum

Photo and Story By Dean Lee

Five candidates faced off Tuesday night for the first time during a question and answer forum in city hall, outlining campaign strategies for two open council seats now held by Mayor Enid Joffe and councilmember John Buchanan, who are both running for reelection April 8.

Challenging the incumbents are, newcomer Kevin Paschall, former councilmember Maryann MacGillivray and "Eagle" Bill Tice, who said all he wanted was for everyone to eat apple pie and to bring prayer back to city hall. Tice later added a number of odd ideas, something he takes great pride in.

Tice said, "I too support the police initiative, not so that they can have pay raises but to make up for the past," then without taking a breath added, "I too like eating ice cream in the park." Everyone laughed.

Less than 10 minutes into the forum, lifelong Sierra Made resident Paschall criticized Mayor Pro Tem Joe Mosca, blaming him for all the city troubles.

He said Mosca, elected two years ago, turned his back on voters by suddenly going against an effort led by council members Kurt Zimmerman and Don Watts to put the embattled Downtown

Sierra Madre Volunteer Firefighters Ready To Go New Program Paves The Way For Automatic Response Designation

The Sierra Madre Volunteer Fire Department has reached a new milestone. Following a model similar to how the city staffs the Paramedic program, SMVFD has launched an auxiliary fire fighter's program which will provide additional support for our existing volunteers. The city will now have two 24 hour firefighters.

"This is a great enhancement to Sierra Madre's Fire Department, it increases our operational capacity allowing us to schedule 2 Paramedics and 2 Firefighters, 24 hours a day," stated Assistant Chief Steve Heydorff.

In February, eleven academy certified firefighters attended the SMVFD's Mini-Academy. They will now accompany our firefighters for the next year, earning 300 hours of training. At the end of that time, they will become certified as with the California Firefighter 1 designation. They will also receive training as EMT's, another welcome addition to the city's public safety efforts.

There will be a total of 29 participants in this program by June. They will perform normal firefighting duties, including fire prevention and disaster preparedness.

One of the benefits of this program is that it will put the city closer to becoming a part of the Verdugo Hills Automatic Response Team. At a recent fire event at the Albertson's Shopping Center on the corner of Sierra Madre Blvd. and Michillinda, it was noticeable to observers that the Sierra Madre Fire Department was not called to the scene. The fire was attended to by the Pasadena,



SMVFD and auxiliary volunteers return from a call.

Photo By S. Henderson/MVO

Arcadia and other nearby departments. Sierra Madre was not called, despite the fact the our fire station was less than a mile away, because we are not currently a part of the Automated Response Team. One of the primary reasons that we are not a part of that team is because of our lack of staff coverage. According to City Manager Elaine Aguilar we cannot pull our limited resources away to fight other fires, especially during the day. In order to participate in the program, we have to be able to provide assistance to other departments. Although we are not a part of the program at this time, in the event of need, surrounding departments will assist Sierra Madre. With the additional staffing, inclusion in the program is one step closer.

Fire Chief Selection Update:

In other Fire Department news, the first step in the process of selecting a new chief has been completed. One candidate has submitted an application and been approved by the rank and file firefighters. The process now forwards the application to a professional panel for review. That panel will send its recommendations to the city manager. From there council approval is required.

STAR PARTY

Come Out And Star Gaze with renowned astronomer Bob Eklund and the MountainViews-Observer friends and family on

**Saturday, March 15th
7:00 - 9:00 pm at
Sierra Vista Park**

for a little star gazing fun! Bring your own telescope or view the universe through some very special lenses. For more info call: 626-355-2737 or email: mvobserver@aol.com

Pasadena City Council Weighs In On Blair High School Lockdown Controversy

By Dean Lee

Pasadena council members asked for a review of procedure regarding the city's emergency notification process after a number of their field representatives received no information during last Friday's gun scare at Blair International Baccalaureate School.

"I think we need to look at lessons learned and how we would do things differently," said councilmember Victor Gordo. "Communication with the council, with our staff, but also with the parents, which seems to be a little difficult."

Gordo suggested they coordinate where parents might go in a school emergency and also who might meet them there. He also said they should meet with the PUSD about managing large incidents such as at Blair.

School officials responded negatively to the council's comments saying that a frenzy of parents showed up to Blair after learning from students with cell phones that the school was locked down.

"The parents were not invited," said (continued pg. 4)

In Celebration of Women's History Month In Sierra Madre MVO presents:



Fran at home with her Wistaria

Fran Syverson

By Susan Henderson

No stranger to interviews and reporters, longtime Sierra Madre resident Fran Syverson was delighted to sit down and chat. As indicated in our telephone conversation previously, the purpose of my visit was to gain some additional insight into this extraordinary woman and share it with MVO readers. Her modesty was overwhelming.

A resident of Sierra Madre since 1982, she is a writer by profession. As a matter of fact, she wrote for the Sierra Madre News for Jan Reed and the Mountain View News for Beth Buck. "I never missed a week, except one", she recalls fondly. Currently, she writes reviews of the Sierra Madre Playhouse for the San Gabriel Valley Tribune.

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CORRECTION: One Of A Kind: Special Edition February 25, 2008
The cover photo features Toni Buckner and Debbie Henderson of the Sierra Madre Library, not Cathy Flammer and Debbie.
In the story, Duane Waddell was erroneously reported as the owner of the Pasadena Playhouse. Duane did own a building in what is now Old Pasadena and had a theatre there known as "The Theatre in the Building".



Sierra Madre City Council Candidates (left to right): Kevin Paschall, John Buchanan, Enid Joffe, MaryAnn McGillivray and Bill Tice.

Each candidate clearly tried to embrace their own unique political niche, everything from Measure V, passed last year, to opposing 1 Carter now in development. None of the candidates opposed Measure U, doubling the city's utility user tax to pay for police and paramedics. A number of residents said to do so would have been politically unwise. Measure U will appear on the same ballot along side all five candidates.

Specific Plan up to a vote of the people something that did ultimately happen with the passage of Measure V last year.

"Immediately upon his election 'one' of the candidates changed his tune, breaking his campaign promise," Paschall said. "Which was to allow the residents of Sierra Made to vote on the DSP. Sadly, the result now, a town divided by bitterness and ranker."
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The Sierra Madre Woman's Club held their biggest Spring Sale ever last weekend. It was complete with the Easter Bunny and plenty of cashiers to handle all their dough!



All In One Week



A contemporary dramatic musical

Palm Sunday, March 16 • 6:00 pm

All In One Week will be presented at First Church of the Nazarene of Pasadena on Sunday Evening, March 16th at 6 p.m. This dramatic musical presentation is free to the San Gabriel Valley Community and all are welcome. Tickets are not required, as this is an open seating event. Childcare 0-5 years is available and there will be a complimentary dessert reception immediately following All In One Week.

Holy Week Worship Schedule

March 16 - Palm Sunday

8:00/10:30 am - Worship Service
6:00 pm - "All In One Week"

March 20 - Maundy Thursday

7:00 pm - Communion Service (Lee Chapel)

March 21 - Good Friday

7:00 pm - Tenebrae Service (Sanctuary)

March 23 - Easter Sunday

6:30 am - Sunrise Service
8:30 am and 10:30 am - Main Sanctuary
Easter Sunday Breakfast
7:30-10:00 am
\$5/person with a \$20 maximum per family
Children 5 and under are free.

Location

First Church of the Nazarene of Pasadena
3700 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., Pasadena, CA 91107
626-351-9631 www.pznaz.org



WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

Pasadena Farmer's Market

Every Saturday to 12:30 p.m.
Bring the kiddies. PHS parking lot
2925 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.



Café 322

Sunday Nights Let's Sing Opera & Broadway
Pianist Danny Guerrero & Friends
322 Sierra Madre Blvd. Sierra Madre (626) 836-5414

Beantown

45 N. Baldwin Sierra Madre (626) 355-1596

Lucky Baldwin's

21 Kersting Court Sierra Madre (626) 355-1140


Mary's Market

561 Woodland Drive Sierra Madre (626) 355-4534

New Day!

Every **Thursday** 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Hard-hitting, high impact sports talk radio KSHP Las Vegas - 1400 AM
Live! from **BURGER CONTINENTAL** 535 South Lake Avenue Pasadena

The Harvey Hyde Show



Weather Wise

5-Day Forecast

Sierra Madre, Ca.

Longitude W118.0, Latitude N34.2

Saturday:	Showers	Hi 70s	Lows 60s
Sunday:	Sunny	Hi 70s	Lows 60s
Monday:	Sunny	Hi 70s	Lows 60s
Tuesday:	Sunny	Hi 70s	Lows 60s
Wednesday:	Sunny	Hi 70s	Lows 60s

Forecasts courtesy of the National Weather Service

Adam's Pack Station

Mule Packing Demonstration


Saturday, March 15 1:30 PM
Picnic Grove at Chantry Flat
in Big Santa Anita Canyon

Light refreshments packed in by mule!
Dust off your boots and cowboy hats!

The Sierra Madre Historical Preservation Society has arranged with the Sue and Deb Burgess, owners of the pack station, to give us a packing demonstration with the resident mules. According to their web site(www.adamspackstation.com) the camp is "one of the most popular and historically significant spots in the Angeles National Forest. This is thought to be the last pack station of its kind in the United States." This is your chance to get up close and personal with a real live mule, bring your camera, family, neighbors and friends. The picnic grove is handicapped accessible. Car-pooling is a must for this adventure as parking is limited. The Forest Service charges a \$5 fee for parking.

Directions: East on Sierra Madre Blvd. to Santa Anita Avenue. North (left turn) and follow the signs to Chantry Flats.

Contact: Dane 355-3905 for details or car-pool sign-ups



SENIOR HAPPENINGS...

By Pat Birdsell

FYI:

The unsung heroes in this society are those who provide continuous care for ailing family or friends. Share your feelings with others in like situations at the Caregivers Support Group provided by Santa Anita Family Services. The group meets every 2nd and 4th Monday of every month at 10:00 AM at the Arcadia Community Center. For March, it meets only on Monday the 10th and 24th. For additional info call (626) 574-5130.


~Helpful Hints~

Two kitchen staples do double duty...

- *Fill a spray bottle with white vinegar and use it on shower doors to easily remove soap scum and hard-water deposits.
- *Sprinkle baking soda into a wet tub and let it sit for a few minutes. Dirt and soap scum will wipe right off-no hard scrubbing required.
- *Don't waste time with lint rollers. Add a cup of white vinegar to the rinse cycle and reduce lint buildup on your clothes.

~For Your Funny Bone~

Paddy was driving down the street in a sweat because he had an important meeting and couldn't find a parking place. Looking up to heaven he said, "Lord take pity on me. If you find me a parking place I will go to Mass every Sunday for the rest of me life and give up me Irish whiskey!" Miraculously, a parking place appeared. Paddy looked up again and said, "Never mind, I found one."




Recipe of the Month:

Contrary to popular opinion, corned beef and cabbage are as American as apple pie. Irish immigrants to New York and Boston adopted corned beef and cabbage as their own—and no wonder, it was five cents a portion in the 1800's...If you have decided to make corned beef for St. Patrick's Day, try this recipe as a side dish and you'll kill two birds with one stone.. No Blarney...It's called-

Colcannon

6 medium potatoes, peeled and quartered
4 cups shredded cabbage
4 T. butter
½ - 1 cup lukewarm milk
6 sliced green onions (if desired)
Salt & pepper to taste

Boil the potatoes in salted water until tender, about 15 minutes. Meanwhile, cook the cabbage, covered with water, boiling for 10 minutes, or until tender. Drain in colander. Melt 2 tablespoons of the butter in a skillet and sauté the cooked cabbage for several minutes. Drain the potatoes and return them to the same pot. Mash until smooth. Stir in the remaining butter and the ½ cup milk and the cabbage, the green onions (if desired), and salt and pepper to taste. Serves 4-6.

 May you get to Heaven a half hour before the Devil knows you're dead.
~Irish Proverb~



Happy Birthday Ella Guttman!

Activities:

Unless listed differently, all activities are at the Hart Memorial Park (Senior Center) 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre

Lunch Program:

Monday-Friday- Call (626) 355-0256 to reserve day before. Suggested donation \$2.00 for seniors, others- \$3.75.

Monday:

Free Strength Training Class with Lisa Brandley 1:00- 1:45 PM.

Tuesday:

Bingo- 1:30-3:30 PM .25c per card
Yoga: 5:00 PM- Instructor, Andrea Walsh- \$5.25 for seniors.

Wednesday:

Open

Thursday:

Game Day- 1:30- 4:00 PM Poker, Bunco, Scrabble, Cribbage, Chess, Checkers, Backgammon, Pinochle...you name it.

Yoga: 5:00-6:30 PM- For seniors and others who want to go slowly (can be done in a chair) Instructor: Andrea Walsh \$5.25 for those 50 & over-\$7.00 for those under 50. To register call (626) 355-7394.

Friday:

Ping-Pong- 2:00-4:00 PM- Not tournament, just for fun.

Saturday:

Senior Club for those 55 and older-Brown bag lunch at 11:30AM. Meeting at Noon and Bingo: 12:30 PM only .25c per card.

Meals-On-Wheels:

Meals are delivered to homebound seniors through the YWCA Intervale lunch program M-F with frozen meals for the weekend. \$2.00 suggested donation per day. Call Susan Garcia at 858-8382.

Monthly Excursions:

March 20- Palm Springs Follies- \$53.00 per person 8:30 AM- 6:30 PM
April 17- Los Angeles Zoo & Autry National Center 9:00 AM- 6:00 PM Cost being estimated at press time.

For reservations call Susan Clifton at (626) 355-7394 or stop by and see her at the Hart Memorial Park House- 9:00 AM- 5:00 PM- Monday-Thursday

Free Consultation

with Pasadena attorney Geoffrey Chin- 2nd Wednesday of the month- 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM-*Appointments are a must. Call Susan Clifton at (626) 355-7394. *Conflicting court schedules can occasionally cause cancellations.

Blood Pressure Clinic Returns!

The Sierra Madre Paramedics will do blood pressure readings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month 10:00AM-11:30 am

*March 30- Chamber of Commerce Wistaria Festival

Looking Up

With Bob Eklund

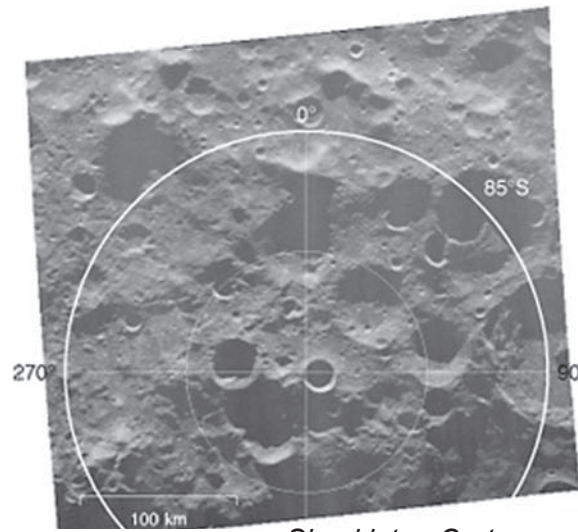


Photo by Aaron Dominquez

New Close-Up Views Of The Moon's South Pole

IF YOU WERE A LUNAR CRATER NAMED SHACKLETON, where would you be located? Why, at the south pole, of course! The rim of a crater at the Moon's south pole, named for famed Antarctic explorer Ernest Shackleton, is considered a candidate landing site for a future manned mission.

NASA announced last week that it has obtained the highest resolution terrain mapping to date of the moon's rugged south polar region, with a resolution to 20 meters per pixel. JPL scientists collected the data using the Goldstone Solar System Radar located in California's Mojave Desert. The imagery generated by the data has been incorporated into animation depicting the descent to the lunar surface of a future human lunar lander and a flyover of Shackleton Crater.



Shackleton Crater

The mapping data indicate that the region of the moon's south pole near Shackleton Crater is much more rugged than previously understood. "The south pole of the moon certainly would be a beautiful place to explore," said Doug Cooke, deputy associate administrator for the Exploration Systems Mission Directorate at NASA Headquarters, Washington. "We now know the south pole has peaks as high as Mt. McKinley and crater floors four times deeper than the Grand Canyon.

Three times during a six-month period in 2006, scientists targeted the moon's south polar region using Goldstone's 70-meter radar dish. The antenna, three-quarters the size of a football field, sent

a 500-kilowatt, 90-minute radar stream 231,800 miles to the moon. The radar bounced off the rough-hewn lunar terrain over an area measuring about 400 miles by 250 miles. Signals were reflected back to two of Goldstone's 34-meter antennas on Earth. The roundtrip time, from the antenna to the moon and back, was about two-and-a-half seconds.

"I have not been to the moon, but this imagery is the next best thing," said Scott Hensley, a scientist at JPL and lead investigator for the study. "With these data we can see terrain features as small as a house without even leaving the office."

Previously, the best resolution of the moon's south pole was generated by the Clementine spacecraft, which could resolve lunar terrain features near the south pole at 1 kilometer per pixel. The new resolution generated by JPL is 50 times more detailed.

NASA's Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter will provide the next generation of lunar imaging and data. This spacecraft is scheduled to launch in late 2008. The Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter Camera will retrieve high-resolution images of the moon's surface and lunar poles with resolutions to 1 meter. These images will provide knowledge of polar illumination conditions, identify potential resources and hazards, and enable safe landing site selection. Other instruments aboard the orbiter will return data such as temperature maps, ultraviolet images, characterization of radiation on the moon, and a high-resolution 3-D map. NASA's quest for up-to-date imagery of the moon also will benefit from international missions such as Japan's Selene robotic probe.

To view animation, terrain maps of the moon's south pole, and images from this story, visit:

http://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/exploration/mmb/022708.html

Video animation developed from the high-resolution imaging also will air on NASA Television. For NASA TV downlink and schedule information, visit:

<http://www.nasa.gov/ntv>

Come to Our Star Party and See the Moon and Planets for Yourself...

THE RESOLUTION may not be quite as high as NASA's, but our telescopes will give you a personal peek at the Moon, Mars, and Saturn like you've never seen them before. Come to Sierra Madre's Sierra Vista Park at 7:00 p.m. Saturday, March 15th for the MountainViews-Observer's **First Annual Public Star Party**. I'll be there to meet you and explain what we're seeing as we check out craters at the Moon's south pole with my telescope, then move on to Mars, Saturn, and the great nebula in Orion. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy!

If you'd like to learn more, you can contact Bob at beklund@mobserver.com

SYVERSON (continued from page 1)

Her list of professional accomplishments have been many including Editor of the Pico Rivera News. She also worked for the Whittier Daily News and was partner in the consulting firm of Gardner, Tosh and Syverson and later, Syverson Tosh Communications. She has been a member of the Writers Club of Whittier since 1967 and was President of that group from 2005-2007.

Writing, however was not on her agenda when she entered the workforce. At 16 she entered UCLA and tinkered with the notion of a degree in math. She laughed we she remembered that the tuition was \$35 per semester (\$175 per semester for out of state students.) Before long, she changed her interest to fashion design and took a job on 7th Street in Los Angeles. "I rememer when I made \$2.25 an hour and I was happy as a clam", she says. "I had the time of my life."



Fran checks church bulletin board for FINCA updates

Fran and husband Howard, an accountant, met briefly in college. They shared a physics class together but never dated. As fate would have it, one day while walking down 7th street in Los Angeles, she bumped into him again. They have been together ever since - 58 years. Howard and Fran have raised three children, two boys and a girl, however, spinabifida claimed the life of their son Mark.

When they moved to Sierra Madre Fran planned to retired, but became very involved in the community. At one point, she became a Braille transcriber and transcribed school books for children. She has volunteered for Meals on Wheels, been a senior commissioner, member of the Chamber of Commerce and member of the Wistaria Committee.

An active member of Church Of The Good Shepherd, Arcadia - she now has a new love - the FINCA Foundation for International Community Assistance. The United Methodist Women have adopted this project and the Arcadia women have raised over \$10,000 for women in Haiti (2006) and Jordan (2007). The project provides micro loans for women in impoverished countries. Each \$5,000 raised creates a village bank. The slogan, "Small Loans, Big Changes", explains well how the banks work. According the the FINCA website, the program, "provides credit to low-income women involved in commerce and petty trade, or "microenterprise". In addition, 'because the women come together to borrow capital, they began to support one another—and each other's businesses. The Village Banks became engines of empowerment and focal points for grassroots community development.'

And the banks, like Fran are a source of empowerment. If you would like to know more about the program or make a donation, please email Fran at: syverscribe@earthlink.net. Yes, Fran Syverson is definitely a woman of today. Wife, Mother, Community Servant. A woman with purpose and meaning in her life, enjoying every bit of it. And, I forgot to mention one thing about this busy lady. *She is 81 years young!*



Ugandan Village Bank courtesy of villagebanking.org

SM Woman's Club to Present Annual Games Tea

By Phyllis Chapman

An afternoon games tea with bridge or a game of your choice is being hosted by the Sierra Madre Woman's Club on Saturday, March 29, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., in their clubhouse, the historic "Essick House" at 550 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. in Sierra Madre. This annual benefit, which supports club charities, is a time to savor a wonderful variety of delicious refreshments. It has become known for its tea table extraordinaire. Event Chair Mary Carney invites you to gather friends to come and play together, or come alone and join a group. Tickets are \$12.00 each. For tickets and reservations please call Carney at 355-6225.

Sierra Madre Chamber Of Commerce To Hold Measure U Forum

The Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce will hold an educational forum about the User Utility Tax initiative, Measure U, and its companion initiative, Measure UA, both of which will be on the April 8th ballot. The Forum is scheduled for Wednesday, March 12th at 6:30pm in the meeting room at Sierra Madre Congregational Church located at 154 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. The event is open to the general public.

Plans as of press time are for the Forum to be presented in one of two formats, depending on availability of participants. If a speaker can be found to speak for the No on Measure U side of the argument, there will be a speaker forum representing both sides followed by a Q&A session. If the Chamber is unable to find someone to speak for the No on Measure U position, then an impartial speaker will be found to speak on the Measure, with a Q and A session to follow afterwards.

Anyone who would like to speak against the Measure is asked to contact Beverly DeVoy at the Chamber, (626) 355-5111 or info@sierramadrechamber.com. Please be prepared to provide qualifications.

FORUM (cont. from page 1)

Paschall said he helped pass Measure V thus keeping his distance from those he called sellouts. He considered himself the needed person to preserve the city.

Before the candidates answered resident-derived questions, Buchanan took credit for creating the city's paramedic program, a mayor's blue ribbon program, and was Mayor at the time. He also prided himself in completing the Youth Activity Center and Senior Center.

Joffe did the same, but upped the ante saying she brought the community back together after Measure V.

"I did everything I could," she said. "I got another phone number called the 'Mayor-mobile' at my own expense. I started a column in the newspaper called, 'Coffee with Joffe' and had coffee with many of the local residents."

She also said she put together, "Walk with the Mayor," so people could get her undivided attention. Residents would literally cross the street to avoid those on opposite sides of Measure V, she said.

MacGillivray, during her opening statement, took credit for creating committees that lead to the city's General Plan and Youth Master Plan, having served twice as a councilmember and once as mayor over 10 years ago.

In answering a question about supporting Measure V, if elected, Tice said he would like to see it expanded.

"I would like to see Measure V put into the residential neighborhoods in terms of height and density." He said. " "

MacGillivray, Joffe and Paschall all said Measure V was now the law and their job, as a councilmember, would be to enforce it, although Joffe said she thought there were better ways to protect the city from over expanding.

Buchanan seized the opportunity to criticize everyone.

"Saying that we're going to enforce the law, I think, is just the minimal requirement for holding office, you really aren't saying much."

He said the challenge was to make Measure V work. He then said he called for an economic study of what businesses the city could actually attract.

Measure U Rally To Be Held

On Sunday, March 16th, from 1 to 3pm at the Masonic Lodge at 33 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., the Safety Measure 4 U committee will stage an informational rally to inform people about the initiatives that will be on the April 8th ballot. Refreshments will be served, a showcase fire truck will be on display, live ragtime piano entertainment will take place, and there will be speakers from the Sierra Madre Volunteer Firefighters' Association and the Police Officers' Association. There will also be a Q and A session. The public is invited.

Paschall chimed, in saying residents clearly do not want high-rise buildings in the downtown.

"We basically went out and got the initiative put together and the law passed," he said, in case someone forgot.

When asked if she thought the Hillside management Zone was an asset to the city, MacGillivray said it was the single reason she decided to run again.

"We all recognize there will be development," she said. "It's to say that development will be managed appropriately so that development doesn't impact the community in a negative way."

MacGillivray lives within feet of the 1 Carter project, but said that she had consulted with a lawyer to make sure, if elected, she could vote on the issues dealing with that development along with Stonehouse. Both are owned by real estate company Dorn Platz.

She also said the city was, and still is, spending too much time negotiating with the developers over the projects.

A question was asked about oversight on all city expenses, a hot button issue with most residents, which lead to the creation of the Ad Hoc Finance Committee and finally, Measure U.

Paschall fumbled his way through his answer, saying he would look at whether people were qualified to do their jobs, as well as looking at why so much money is spent on attorney's fees.

Buchanan said they have been open with the public on expenses even though the city has been criticized countless times for late audits, something not brought up. He did list a number of cuts the city has made, from less tree trimming to closing the public pool half the year.

Joffe said the Ad Hoc Finance Committee put the city finances under a microscope, saying the only option to reduce the budget would be cutting services.

MacGillivray said the city needed to stop dipping into its reserves and actually suggested putting the money back.

Tice said he wanted to see city hall converted to a business college. It was not clear if he was serious, as he had joked throughout the evening and kept everyone laughing.



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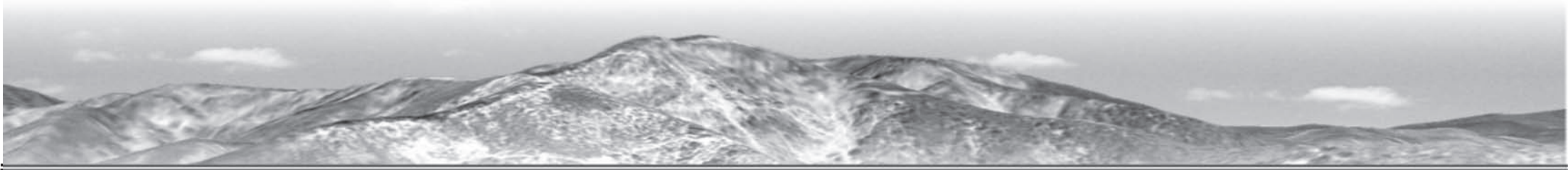
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A Bridge Over Troubled Waters



By Dean Lee

City officials confirmed last week that the long awaited redesign of the La Loma Bridge in the Arroyo Seco was put on hold after geologists said a semi active fault may lie directly under the bridge.

Project Manager Roubik Mardirosian, said they now know the Eagle Rock Fault lies between two of the pillars underneath the bridge.

“Any redesign will have to work around that,” he said but assured the project would still continue. He said that having to redo some of the bridge design has set the project back to at least early next year. Currently there is no completion date he said.

He also said they did not think they could bring actual plans in front of the city council before January 2009 but did expect to ask for funding from the council in a few months.

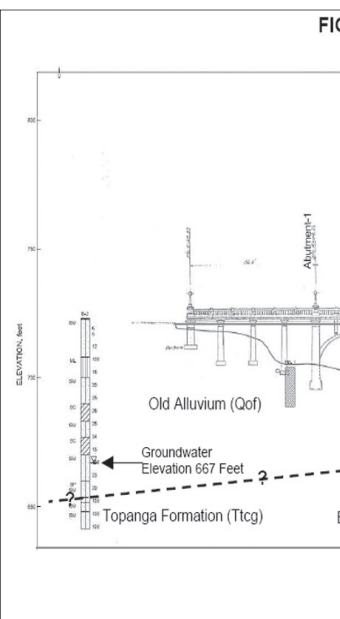
The bridge now needs \$2 million more than the original estimated \$11.5 million he said. They were currently looking for a way to fund it he added. Almost 90 percent of the funding came from two federal grants something

Assistant Superintendent George McKenna in a telephone message. “Parents did come because I think students used cell phones.” Early reports said there was someone at the school with a gun although a weapon never turned up. Police said ammunition was later found during a search.

McKenna also said parents became panicked after seeing media reports of students with their hands over their heads as if being arrested and led out of classrooms. He added that CNN specifically responded to what was being said on police scanners. “The protocol is that you exit the building with your hands locked behind your head,” McKenna said. “Not necessarily hands up like you are under arrest, but that was the procedure. They did that with everyone, building by building, classroom by classroom, floor by floor.” McKenna said during the eight hour incident that parents were roped off by police and kept a block away. He also remarked that the phrase “lockdown,” was actually referring to a practice known as “Shelter-in-Place.” Unconfirmed reports said a number of students cried on cell phones telling parents they were all suspects.

According to Pasadena

councilmember Steve Madison said was close to impossible to get. The bridge is in Madison’s distinct. Mardirosian said he was hopeful they could get more federal money. Retired PCC petrology instructor Dr. Janet Gordon said the two ends



La Loma Bridge in relation to where the Eagle Rock fault maybe

of the bridge are built on very different rock types which is consistent with a geological study done by Wilson Geosciences, Inc. of Altadena for the city. Gordon said, to the west, the bridge was built on layered sedimentary rock and to the east, in stark contrast, the bridge in on an igneous rock known

as quartz diorite which is similar to granite and very common to the area. “There is no other place the fault could be than under the bridge,” she said. Gordon has no affiliation with the city but said she knows the area well having taken PCC geology

students there for years. She also said the Eagle Rock Fault is exposed in areas and can be seen by the Eagle Rock Dome in Eagle rock. “You can see it has a lot of vertical offset,” she said. petrology is the study of rock. According to the

Transportation Officials requirements. Other safety features would include bridge railings and approach guardrails. Historic elements that contribute to the bridge’s overall appearance, such as the arches, would be left untouched the city said.

Tyler asked what the communications procedure was from the city managers office. Assistant City Manager, Julie Gutierrez, said the entire matter was an oversight by them and would be looked into. Pasadena Public Information Officer Ann Erdman, said the city’s Emergency Operations Center had not been activated at the time. Had it been, she said, all city personnel would have been notified and a response team from her office would have been activated.

“A citywide team would have sprung into action,” Erdman said. “We are reviewing why that did not happen and will have it fixed by next week.” Erdman said the Emergency Operations Center is activated only by an incident commander and in this case that would have been the police. She explained that person plus department vary depending on the situation.

She also said the city council has no jurisdiction over PUSD schools having their own emergency procedures. Both, Superintendent Edwin Diaz’s office and the office for Blair principal Rich Boccia, declined comment referring all media inquiries to PUSD’s Director of Communications Binti Harvey.

Southern California Earthquake Data Center the fault is a northeast dipping thrust fault about seven miles long and has had recent activity along it. The fault may also be associated with the Verdugo Fault capable of a 6.8 magnitude earthquake the center’s website says.

Gordon said the Eagle Rock Fault could also be associated with the Raymond fault in South Pasadena. That fault is capable of a 7.0 magnitude quake.

The 90-year-old La Loma Bridge is 378 feet long and considered a sister of the Colorado Street Bridge. In 1999 a seismic analysis concluded that the bridge was deficient in strength and is deteriorating. In 1990, after the Loma Prieta Earthquake, all bridges in the city were analyzed to determine if they could withstand a probable earthquake.

The bridge is currently two lanes and repairs would include widening the bridge two feet on each side to meet American Association of State Highway and

‘Walkabout’ Prompts Much To Talk About

By Teresa Baxter

A community event organized by the Pasadena Playhouse District, that was meant to take place in January, was finally held this past weekend. Originally the organizers had cancelled what was to have been the first “walkabout” due to the torrential rains that preceded the previously scheduled January date, which turned out to be a beautiful, sunny day. Ironically, the re-scheduled date was overcast, drizzly and cold.

Nonetheless, well over 125 people showed up to participate in what was touted as the first Downtown Pasadena Walkabout. Originating from the Pasadena Presbyterian Church, the goal was to gather volunteers ranging from city officials, residents, architects and environmentalists on a quest to make downtown Pasadena more walkable.

The event began with a keynote speech from Pasadena Mayor Bill Bogaard, a sort of pep-talk, in which he stated “Pasadena’s vibrant streetscapes provide a lively and dynamic backdrop for walkers. Whether moving briskly or at a slower pace, residents, workers and visitors are fortunate that



The South Lake Ave. Team (L to R): Lambert Giessinger, Marsha Rood, John Smith, Sonia Legayade

Pasadena is such a pedestrian-friendly community” This was followed by a short training session by urban designer and planner, Deborah Murphy on what makes a great and walkable street. Participants were given a walkability checklist to provide a framework for communities to share in regards to observing pedestrian safety, walking environments, consistency of walks, lighting and signage.

As a reporter for this paper, I originally planned to observe the participants and report the findings. I then decided—as a pedestrian and Pasadena resident—to join one of the 25 teams for a more informative perspective. Coincidentally, I was assigned to the team covering the South Lake District, my neighborhood. We were to start our jaunt at the Lake Avenue Gold Line Station and then proceed south on Lake to Cordova St., then east to Mentor, finally heading back to the church to share our findings.

I met my team, consisting of Marsha Rood, Lambert Giessinger, Sonia Legayade and John Smith. Marsha took the lead as we met at Gold Line station, assessing everything in sight with knowledge unfamiliar to me. Lambert was right behind her reinforcing terms I had never heard of regarding sidewalk widths, tree grating and upheaval. We were also being trailed by a LA Times reporter during the walk. In conversation, I soon learned the significance of who I was walking with. Rood turned out to be the mastermind behind the event. She has the reputation for being the person responsible for the revitalization of Old Pasadena, the Playhouse District and South Lake during her 18-year tenure as a former Pasadena development administrator. Rood has recently received a distinguished leadership award from the California Chapter of the American Planning Association, and received a similar award from the Los Angeles chapter. Giessinger is also very accomplished in his field regarding city revitalization. According to a Pasadena City Hall bio, Giessinger is a preservation architect and is currently the deputy historic preservation officer for the City of Los Angeles. He is a former member and chair of the Pasadena Community Development Committee and past member of the Pasadena Design Commission.

It was among these great minds and the input of John Smith, a medical professional and Sonia Legayade from La Cañada that it was agreed Pasadena was aesthetically beautiful. Our team concluded that Mayor Bogaard is right in stating that Pasadena’s vibrant streetscapes provide a lively and dynamic backdrop for walkers, but the walk brought observations that there is room for improvement regarding the South Lake route in reference to bad street lighting, a lack of weather-friendly bus stops, and an inadequate amount of trash receptacles. Upon returning to the church we were asked to rate our route on a scale of 1 to 6. The team unanimously agreed that the South Lake Gold Line Station rated a 0, but by the time we crossed Colorado Blvd., it had elevated to 5.

“City Beat” Topics Include Youth Violence Committee, City Manager Recruitment, PUSD

Topics on the latest edition of “City Beat,” airing on 55 KPAS and the Internet, include next steps for the Youth Development and Violence Prevention Committee, city council recruitment for Pasadena’s next city manager and issues related to Pasadena Unified School District including the reinvention of John Muir High School.

Moderator Ann Erdman is joined by Pasadena Mayor Bill Bogaard, Crown City News anchor Tami DeVine and Mountain Views-Observer reporter Dean Lee.

“City Beat” replays Mondays at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m., Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m., Wednesdays at 8:30 a.m., Thursdays at 7 p.m., Fridays at 8:30 p.m., Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. and Sundays at 11:30 a.m. Streaming video of all 55 KPAS programming can be accessed in real time by going to www.cityofpasadena.net and clicking on City News. For more information call (626) 795-5556.

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From Caroline Brown

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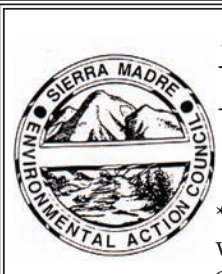
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All of metropolitan Los Angeles is preparing for the November 13th Earthquake Scenario. Remember, the professionally trained first responders will take not be able to be everywhere at once. You will have to remember that when you look at your neighbor and your neighbor looks back you will each be looking at your local "first responder."

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SIERRA MADRE POLICE BLOTTER

During the week of Sunday, February 24th to Saturday March 1st the Sierra Madre Police Department responded to approximately 241 calls for service.

Monday, February 25th
8:29 AM – Vandalism, 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd, Memorial Park. A city employee reported graffiti in the men's restroom. The damage consisted of several 12" to 14" black spray painted letters on two the interior walls. No estimated cost of repair was available.
2:53 PM – Missing person, 300 block East Grandview Ave. Officers responded to the 300 block of East Grandview Ave regarding a missing adult male. The man, who suffers from Alzheimer's, was last seen at 9:00 am as he left for a walk. The man was found that afternoon by the Monrovia Police Department. He was found walking east bound on the 210 Freeway near the Huntington Drive on ramp.
4:09 PM – Arrest, Grandview Ave and Wilson Drive. The Officer stopped a man for solicitation. During the investigation it was revealed he had an outstanding warrant for his arrest. The man was arrested and released on a written promise to appear.

Tuesday, February 26th
10:30 AM – Vandalism, 222 W. Sierra Madre Blvd, Memorial Park. A city employee reported graffiti in the men's restroom. The damage consisted of several 12" to 14" burgundy and green spray painted letters on the interior walls. No estimated cost of repair was available.
7:26 PM – Assault with a deadly weapon, 100 block of North Baldwin Avenue. A resident reported a vandalism at his apartment complex. During the investigation officers met with witnesses and determined a large sand filled bucket was thrown through the apartment's window. Prior to arrival of the police a suspect was seen fleeing in a brown Lincoln of Mercury 4 door sedan which drove west bound on Highland Ave. The bucket barely missed the resident, who was lying on the sofa. As a result of the broken window glass the resident sustained a cut to his ankle.

Wednesday, February 27th
10:03 PM – 400 block Crestvale Drive. A resident reported her adult grandson was upset over the break-up with his girlfriend. During the investigation LA County Mental Health were called to assist with the evaluation. As a result of their evaluation he was taken into protective custody and transported to the hospital.

Thursday, February 28th
7:28 PM – Arrest, 322 West Sierra Madre Blvd, Café 322. The Officer was flagged down regarding a fight involving a male adult and a male juvenile. The investigation resulted in the adult male being arrested for battery and great bodily injury to a child. The adult male was arrested and transported to the Pasadena Jail for remand.

Friday, February 29th
2:22 AM – DUI, 200 block Manzanita Ave. The Officer stopped a car for several traffic violations. During the investigation the driver, a Sierra Madre resident was determined to be driving under the influence of alcohol. The driver was arrested and transported to the Pasadena Jail for remand.
9:46 PM – Arrest, Sierra Madre Blvd and Baldwin Ave. Officers assisted The Los Angeles Fugitive Taskforce (a multi agency team) with a traffic stop and arrest of a man Los Angeles resident, a suspect in a recent homicide. During the arrest investigation a large quantity of marijuana, 60.5 grams was discovered in the car. A Pasadena resident and Los Angeles resident were subsequently arrested for felony unlawful transport and possession of marijuana.

Saturday, March 1st
7:24 PM – Arrest, Sierra Madre Blvd and Mountain Trail Ave. Officers responded to a reported hit and run traffic collision. Upon arrival a man and a woman were detained as they were leaving the scene of the collision. During the investigation the male passenger was intoxicated and the woman driver was found to be under the influence of alcohol. The car was stolen and the woman was in possession of stolen property. The driver was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol and the passenger for public intoxication. They were transported to the Pasadena Jail for remand.
9:13 PM – Arrest, 600 block East Del Mar Blvd, Pasadena. The victim of a fight that occurred earlier that evening in the 300 block West Sierra Madre Blvd came to the police station to file a crime report. The man reported injury to his forehead as the result of being assaulted by his former girlfriend. The investigation revealed that this person was a victim of domestic violence by his former girlfriend. The former girlfriend was later arrested, in Pasadena for the crime and transported to the Pasadena Jail for remand.

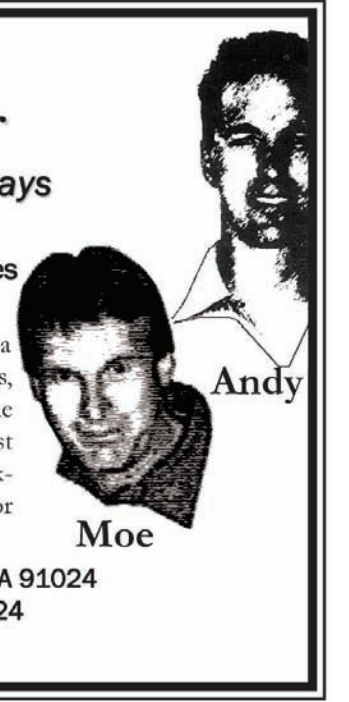
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Photos and Story By Chris Bertrand

Alverno: Historical Sierra Madre Landmark Part 1

Chris Bertrand The thirteen acres of Dr. Jarvis Barlow's Alverno estate at Michillinda and Highland still remain intact in these days, safe for now from plans for subdivision and condo construction large parcels. The Alverno Villa, originally known as Villa del Sol D' Oro, translates to Home of the Golden Sun. Completed in the early 1920's, the Villa included a four bedrooms of servant's quarters within the house, a coach house, pool and bath house, tennis court, chicken coop and several additional outbuildings.

The choice of the unusual exterior color has been attributed to Mrs.. Barlow, who is said to have toasted quite a number of pieces of bread to identify just the right orange-brown color. To my eye, it appears to be the "Burnt Sienna" of my Crayola 64-pack collection from my childhood.



Alverno Villa Front

When I moved here, a long time resident, Amy Putnam, called my attention to the Villa, reminding me to keep an eye out for it when watching films and television shows. You'll see the home's very unusual and identifiable color briefly in recurring scenes of the current television series, "Cane". The Villa is used frequently for movie, television, commercial and print photo shoots, and included "Legally Blonde" and "Princess Diaries".

Alverno was designed to be a one third scale (though I have read and heard a quarter to two-thirdsscale) replica of the Villa Collazi near Florence, Italy, reputed to have been built by Michelangelo. Highly respected architect,Wallace Neff, who specialized in contemporary adaptation of Mediterranean and Spanish colonial Architecture, created this Sierra Madre masterpiece. Neff created estates for Hollywood celebrities, including the Marx Brothers, Samuel Mayer of MGM studios, Claudette Colbert and many others, after becoming the "hot" architect for the well-heeled movie crowd. According to Alverno documents from the 40's or 50's, Neff commented "Expensive houses are my business, and social housing is my hobby." Grand Southern California estates paid the bills, yet he received industry and humanitarian acclaim for the thousands of his low cost igloo style gunite (used for pool construction) houses, constructed in Africa, South America and the Middle

East after World War II.

When I attended the Sierra Madre Centennial dinner here last year, I chatted in the buffet line with a gentleman who grew up nearby, a friend of one of the Barlow children. He reminisced about the cook's double duty at the Villa. When summer lunches were complete, this staff member was assigned lifeguard duty at the Villa's pool, to monitor the children's swimming activities, including this gentleman from time to time. Alas, the pool was filled in when the property was sold to a religious order who built a girls' high school on the property.

Many stories circulate about the history of the property, and some of them cannot be substantiated with the archival information on hand at Alverno. One story I have heard several times around town, suggests that Barlow wanted to put a tuberculosis sanitarium on the Alverno site, but Alverno representatives indicate this is a misconception, and don't believe this was ever intended by Dr. Barlow.

Dr. Barlow himself was a TB patient, and reportedly spent quite a bit of time recuperating on couches in the library, surrounded by five or six of his favorite canines, and a chilled supply of his favorite cocktails in the tin-lined drawers of the cabinets. The Barlow Hospital for Respiratory Illness still operates in Los Angeles.

The Villa recalls a lifestyle of another era, with huge, grand halls for reception, entertaining and dining and a sumptuous library of Philippine mahogany for Dr. Barlow's library retreat on the main level, plus a utilitarian kitchen area for staff use. Architect Neff's signature use of extensive wrought iron is displayed throughout. Of particular note is the curved balustrade and the unique covered entry of wrought iron and glass. This stunning entry design, or the view to the sunken garden often catches my eye when the building is featured in films and television.

The Barlows intended to install a pipe organ in the home, with plans to store the pipes in the basement, along with the wine cellar. A large grill was put in the staircase, but the pipe organ never came to be.

Upstairs, another huge hall for family use had great iron rods between the walls, reinforcing the structure, reportedly due to the weight of the heavy tile roof,



Alverno Villa Front

according to one document. The Sisters of St. Francis used the Villa for a novitiate, and used the rods in order to drape over them and create a "dormitory" area for the young women who came in as novices. Three separate bedroom areas surrounded the upstairs hall. A multi-room master suite included his and hers baths and a discreet viewing window to observe activities in the foyer. The girls' rooms adjoined, and the boy's bedroom was separate. An elaborate call system allowed staff to be summoned to a particular room. The dining room call button was inset into the floor, under the table, so wait service could be unobtrusively requested by the tap of a foot.

Cindy Mc Loughlin, Facilities Manager, would be delighted if those with documentation, pictures, history information and personal insights would contact Alverno (and me for a possible further article) at 626-355-3463, to add to the Alverno archives.

If you have interest in renting the villa



for a personal or organization event, contact the Events Coordinator for the Villa, Sandi McQuilken, Santa Anita Gardens at 626.444.3377 or info@sagardens.com.

Part 2 of the Alverno story still to come!

Women In Business: Historical Synopsis

A Special Women's History Month Series

By La Quetta M. Shamblee

Today's roster of business owners is in sharp contrast to the traditional, mandated-cultural role of women as wives and mothers, with the exception of "women folk" preparing for careers as teachers, nurses and secretaries up through the 1960's. The first national program to acknowledge and organize professional women was done to capitalize on their experience to support military efforts during World War I. The U.S. War Department established the Women's War Council through a federal grant, which resulted in the formation of The National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs in 1919. Groundwork laid by the women's suffrage movement starting in the mid-1800's, resulted in a woman's right to vote with the passage of the 19th Amendment on August 26, 1920. This voting right provided the means for women to engage in economic activity on a scale as never before.

Harvard Business School professor, Nancy Koehn, notes, "Women have always been in business," as she points to research about the key roles that women played in the development of cottage industries and establishment of benevolent societies in the early American economy. However, for more than one hundred years, the law restricted a woman's participation in the economy, aside from running her household.

A steady parade of women business owners continues to march along the trails blazed by a number of early pioneering women entrepreneurs, who would certainly marvel at the level of economic activity generated by the Oprah Winfrey's and Martha Stewart's of today. Millions of other women business owners are making their marks in businesses that span all industries, from sole proprietorships to corporations with hundreds of employees.

Research compiled by The Center for Women's Business Research within the past two years indicates there are more than 10 million women-owned businesses in the U.S. Seventy-five percent (or 7.7 million) of these firms are majority-owned (51% or more) by women, employing 7.1 million people and generating more than \$1 trillion in revenues. California has more women-owned businesses than any other state, with an estimated 1.4 million.

Forty-two percent of all businesses owned by people of color are owned by women, with Asian women having the highest business survival rate. Although women start businesses at twice the rate of men, fewer than 5% of women-owned businesses reach the threshold of \$1 million dollars in annual revenue. Those that do typically market their products nationally, and more than 80% of those are members of formal business organizations, associations or networks as compared to 61% represented by those generating less than \$1 million a year.

This month's column will salute local women engaged in the building and management of businesses. Women's History Month presents an opportunity to highlight and celebrate several local entrepreneurs who continue to make history, building upon the groundwork laid by those early women trailblazers.

For additional information on women businesses and related resources:

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PASADENA ART WEEKEND MARCH 14 TO 16

Art Weekend is One of Pasadena's Largest Cultural Events

Pasadena, Calif. -- Art lovers will experience a feast for the senses at Pasadena Art Weekend, a three-day celebration of the visual and performing arts that encompasses a citywide arts open house, Art Night, on Friday, March 14; Art Talk, a tribute to the spoken word on Saturday, March 15, and Art Market, one of the largest outdoor exhibitions of works for sale by students in Southern California, on Sunday, March 16.

In all, attendees at Pasadena Art Weekend can experience more than 20 exhibitions, performances and cultural activities over three days. All Pasadena Art Weekend activities are free and open to the public.

At-a-glance activities during Pasadena Art Weekend are as follows:

Art Night, Friday, March 14th – 6 pm to 10 pm

Pasadena's cultural institutions will open their doors for free during Art Night Pasadena, offering a rich sampling of art, artifacts and music.

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LaSalleFacultyReadsToMadisonStudents

Photos and Story By John Blackstock

Members of the La Salle High School faculty and administration read to students at Madison Elementary School in Pasadena as part of Read Across America, the nation's largest reading celebration sponsored by the National Education Association. The event also celebrated the birthday of Theodor Seuss Geisel. (March 2, 1904 – September 24, 1991) who was an American writer and cartoonist best known for his classic children's books under the pen name Dr. Seuss, including *The Cat in the Hat*, *Green Eggs and Ham*, *How the Grinch Stole Christmas* and *One Fish Two Fish Red Fish Blue Fish*. Needless to say the day was filled with readings from the many Dr Seuss books.

Ms. Delia Swanner, La Salle's Librarian, and Mrs. Julie Ickes, Read Across America Coordinator at Madison and a first grade teacher discuss book choices.

of volunteers read to the elementary students at Madison. More than 45 million people volunteered to participate in the 11th annual Read America Day, according to the National Education Association.

Mrs. Julie Ickes, a first grade teacher at Madison Elementary, coordinated the event and dozens



Ms. Delia Swanner, La Salle's Librarian, reads to first graders at Madison Elementary in Pasadena

Positions May Be In Peril At PUSD

By Teresa Baxter

A special meeting was held last Tuesday to confront the impending budget cuts that are due to a deteriorating state economy, based on the 2008-09 Governors' Budget, which would eliminate \$10 million of funding for the Pasadena Unified School District.

This prompted what will be the first of many meetings in which the Board of Education will hear recommendations on how to recoup funds lost. The meeting was led by Assistant Superintendent for Business Services, Michele McClowry.

McClowry started with the positives, by noting that \$1 million of mandated cost reserves from the "Approach to Excellence" program could be applied to offset the shortage. The district also recently received a \$2 million insurance settlement as a result of flood damage at Marshall Fundamental Secondary School and there are several local restricted programs and grants that have balances which can likely be brought back to the general fund to create revenues of \$3.3 million. Superintendent Edwin Diaz was quick to point out that taking these one-time savings would eliminate them from much needed areas, such as conferences and staff development in the future.

"Obviously we have to start here because this is available money that will take us a long way towards balancing next year's budget," he said. "It isn't a solution over three years, but it is going to have an impact in relationship to implementing some of the initiatives that we started. We're going to have to prioritize, we're going to have to go after grants, and we're going to have to aggressively go after external resources in order to keep the forward momentum going within the district."

This led to the remaining \$6.7 million deficit that needed to be faced with discussion and additional recommendations. According to the "Agenda Item 2" report presented by McClowry, there are suggested eliminations of personnel in the areas of consultation, custodial work, staffing ratios and a general district reorganization.

"This is going to be a significant impact in relationship to classified positions...we're looking at significant reductions in certain departments very consistent with what was recommended by the Gibson cost savings report," said Diaz. "We're trying to re-think and re-establish the whole district level of organizational structure and support services."

Health programs and Special Education efficiency of services are also under scrutiny, but it was agreed that all mandated services will continue to be provided.

Barnhart Students Participate In Biotech Program

For the 3rd year, students from Arcadia's Barnhart Middle School will be participating in the Amgen – Bruce Wallace Biotechnology Lab Program, an outreach program that excites students about the wonders of scientific discovery.

Funded by the Amgen Foundation in collaboration with the Foundation for Pierce College and the Los Angeles / Orange County Biotechnology Center, the program was designed to promote scientific literacy and inquiry. It introduces students to cutting edge biotechnology techniques and labs that are used by biotechnology firms, agricultural companies and crime scene investigators.

The program gives students hands on experience with advanced scientific equipment like digital micropipettes and gel electrophoresis chambers, which separate DNA fragments according to size. The student's labs will parallel work that has earned Nobel Prizes for prominent scientists. In one of the labs, students will attempt to find a specific location in their own DNA. This location helps to make tPA, a protein used in dissolving blood clots. The protein is administered to heart attack victims to reduce the incidence of strokes. The students will do this using PCR, a molecular biology technique.

Barnhart is one of two middle schools in Los Angeles County participating in the program that is typically introduced at the high school level. Barnhart science teacher Grace



Summer Taylor, Leanne Norden, Joseph Cook

Montgomery says, "The kids love the hands on lab experience; it's a fantastic addition to the school curriculum. Many students come back from high school and tell us they were the only ones who knew what a micropipette was or how small a micro liter was. They had a great head start on DNA and how it is manipulated."

Barnhart School is an independent K-8 school located in Arcadia, California that is accredited by the California Association of Independent Schools (CAIS). Founded in 1958, Barnhart's mission is to provide an unparalleled educational experience in an atmosphere of caring and respect that fosters intellectual curiosity and a love for learning. Barnhart's unique Virtues curriculum embraces ethnic, religious and cultural diversity empowering students to become responsible, caring and committed citizens in their communities.

For more information on Barnhart School visit www.barnhartschool.org or call 626-446-5588.

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TRISH'S TRUTH

The Solution?

By Trisha Collins

Usually, the reason most teenagers come to school is for their friends and not the actual work. It may sound selfish, but we teenagers don't really have much passion for others' things that don't have anything to do with us. That includes schoolwork, which most often seems pretty irrelevant to our present and future daily lives. Almost everyday I ask myself in Algebra II how Cramer's Rule and the quadratic equation is going to help me in life. In World History, I question what knowing the date of King Henry IIIV's rule has top do with anything at all. Recently in my English class, I was given an assignment to read a "classic", *The House on Mango Street*, by Sandra Cisneros. When I received my copy of the book, I could tell I wasn't going to like it already. What did this book have to do with me? Besides, the last book

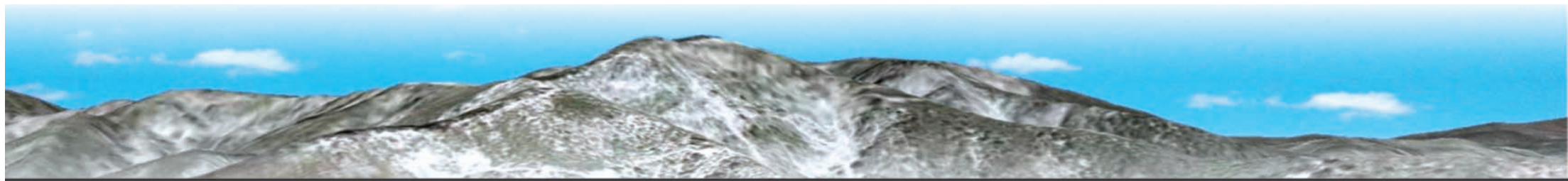
we had to read in English was about the Titanic and was extremely long and boring. After such a horrible experience with the previous book, I was convinced this "Mango Book" would be just like it: irrelevant and tiring. Boy, was I wrong.

In fact I was *extremely* wrong. This book has to be one of my all time favorites now; it practically changed my life. After you pick up this book, it's pretty hard to put down. I was completely hooked after the first page, drawn into Cisneros use of mixing poetry in her series of vignettes. Each of the vignettes tells its own little story, but when you string them all together they tell an even greater truth. It's remarkable.

Just so you know, this is not a book review. Personally, I can't stand major newspaper book reviews. They always seem to tell you the whole story, ruining the magic of the reader finding everything out on their own. I would

just call this a high recommendation. I highly recommend this book if you're looking to read a book that has raw truth, romance, creativity, soul, disappointment, and love, and joy. This modern book covers it all.

I would give *The House on Mango Street* 5 stars and 3 thumbs up (I'm sure once you read this book; you too will want to contribute a thumbs up). Cisneros gives the reader the bare reality while presenting it in a beautiful and poetic tone, making this book a true classic. Never again will I literally judge a book by its cover, or title, or anything for that matter. I think teachers should give kids more material that they can actually relate to. I've never been more excited to write a Literary Analysis Essay on a book in my life, and many of my peers feel the same. Maybe that's what it's really all about. People are always looking for ways to make school more fun and interesting for kids to help "bridge the gap". Maybe all you need to do to make school important to them is to show them how what they're learning can be put into play everyday.



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OPINION



Measure U Faces Strong Opposition - Anti-Tax Movement Opposed To UUT Increase

By Hail Hamilton

As the April 8 election nears, Sierra Madre residents are beginning to discuss the pros and cons of the police initiative and the proposed utility user tax (UUT) increase. This is both good and bad. How we finance the city for the next few years is good. Having our utility bills increase is bad.

Nobody hates paying more taxes than I—and don't be mistaken utility fees are taxes. I'm no different than most Sierra Madre residents. If you raise my taxes you had better have a damn good reason, or I'm adamantly opposed to them. Call me anti-tax in my views on taxation. But I accept the necessity of taxes, even if I hate to pay them.

I am not a member of the larger anti-tax movement that exist in California, a movement with outspoken allies here in Sierra Madre who are absolutely opposed to *any* new taxes!

California's anti-tax movement has won significant victories over the past 30 years. In 1978, *Proposition 13* froze property tax rates and required voter approval of special-use taxes, which were formerly levied by local legislatures. In 1986, *Proposition 62* greatly expanded the mandatory voter approval of tax increases in most jurisdictions, requiring a majority vote on general taxes. Finally, in 1996, *Proposition 218* added even more limitations on taxation and required voter approval of property-related assessments, fees, and charges. In addition, Proposition 218 extended the limitations on revenue collection to all California jurisdictions, including cities and counties, which some argued were outside the reach of Proposition 62. Together, these three initiatives placed unprecedented limits on the ability of local governments to levy taxes and generate revenue.

The anti-tax movement and the inefficiency of government are linked together in multiple ways. Years of chronically defunding the public sector have caused large swaths of the public realm to fall into disrepair. When California ranks 33rd in the country in total yearly spending per pupil in California's primary and secondary schools, it's no wonder many parents have lost faith in the public schools. Similar trends are visible in the public abandonment of parks and transit systems.

This systematic defunding of the public sector has had a devastating effect on business as it becomes harder and harder to hire qualified employees at reasonable salaries who are willing to live in California cities. These dynamics would suggest that one answer must be simply to raise the aggregate level of taxation in the state. But part of the reason Sierra Madre residents have been so unwilling to tax themselves is the widespread, and often correct, perception that City Halls squanders their resources.

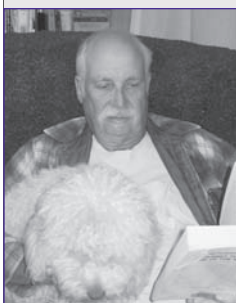
The City of Sierra Madre has developed a culture in which advancement is based on an antiquated testing system that often has little or no relation to work performance, while seniority determines who keeps jobs during layoffs and who gets the best assignments and work shifts. Far too often, the people who head departments are given their jobs based on their political loyalties rather than their management skills or expertise.

All of these organizational problems undermine the public's faith in local government and its willingness to support tax increases.

The simplistic "meat-axe" approach of cutting all departments by an equal percent does not make government more efficient. Quite to the contrary, services are simply cut, either overtly or covertly, efficiencies are not achieved, and what results is a further diminution of public services, decrease in the quality of life, and more reasons for small businesses, middle class homeowners and municipal workers to flee the city for communities that meet their expectations.

This cycle is not only destructive and wasteful but unnecessary. Rather, a balance must be achieved whereby levels of service, efficiency of delivery, cost, and system of payment converge to a socially acceptable norm. This means that any solution must incorporate two things: (1) short-term proposals that might help balance next year's budget, and (2) longer-term plans that will make city government both more efficient and cost effective.

Whether a *new and improved* UUT is the best way to address Sierra Madre's current financial shortfall is uncertain. What is certain is that the passage of the UUT will open the door in to other *User Taxes*. What's next?



Stuart Tolchin On... LIFE

And The Winner Is..Ia Ir A Sign Of Security Or Decay?

Well, if the Academy Awards have passed and almost been forgotten, but I woke up wondering whether next year it will be necessary to add a new category: "Best acting performance by an American actor in movies that people have actually seen."

Doesn't it seem kind of strange that the four major acting awards were won by non-Americans; wonderfully talented people who probably merited their awards but who don't happen to be fluent in English, or so it seemed. In some ways, I guess, it's all about merit in the present. Things change.

I'm all for change, I guess, and the idea that the actor who gives the best performance should win the award certainly sounds right but, after all, we know that the awards are just a device to sell movies and I think there really are other factors to consider. The best supporting actor categories, male and female were won by Javier Bardem and Tilda Swinton, both spectacularly talented actors from what used to be far away places. A nominated male actor, but also a non-winner, was 84 year old Hal Holbrook, an American icon - a great actor who is identified with two legends that still influence the present day. One is Mark Twain, who toured the world presenting the new face of 19th Century America and who authored Huckleberry Finn, a novel so great that even the kids of today have heard of it. The other great American legend played by Mr. Holbrook is, of course, Deep Throat, forever lurking in the shadows trying to save America from Presidential incompetence and dishonesty. (Where is he when we need him?)

In the best supporting actress category, and also overlooked, was Ruby Dee, a great force in African-American theatre. Ruby Dee and I think there really are other factors to consider. The best supporting actor categories, male and female were won by Javier Bardem and Tilda Swinton, both spectacularly talented actors from what used to be far away places. A nominated male actor, but also a non-winner, was 84 year old Hal Holbrook, an American icon - a great actor who is identified with two legends that still influence the present day. One is Mark Twain, who toured the world presenting the new face of 19th Century America and who authored Huckleberry Finn, a novel so great that even the kids of today have heard of it. The other great American legend played by Mr. Holbrook is, of course, Deep Throat, forever lurking in the shadows trying to save America from Presidential incompetence and dishonesty. (Where is he when we need him?)

But what does all this sentiment have to do with the acting performances of 2008? Shouldn't these awards be based upon only the specific performance before the academy voters--you know the "what have you done for me lately school of thought"? Maybe my point can best be understood if we look at the "Best Performance by an Actress" category. A pre-awards favorite in that category was 74 year-old Julie Christie playing a woman who is in the process of gradually forgetting her past, as evidenced by her inability to remember her husband who dutifully continues to visit her at the Home for the Aged. Wait - you cry - stop - Julie Christie is not an American Actress - never was and never will be. Yes, I know, she is the exception to prove the rule that I can't quite express. Appearing in such films as Billy Liar, Julie Christie is identified with New Wave post World War II British pictures that showed the resilience of the English people emerging from the gritty deprivations of the war and starting new lives. She was plucked from these roles and paired with other international actors like Omar Sharif, Tom Courtnay, and Alec Guinness in the great, highly expensive and highly acclaimed American hit movie, Dr. Zhivago. For people of my age, it was and is one of our all time favorites, depicting the demise of an entire historical epoch as described by a Nobel Prize winning author and viewed by just about everybody. It is the "Gone With the Wind" of my era and its music eternally plays in our minds. The lasting power of the film reminds us of a time in America when we were strong enough to view movies with international stars, movies that depicted historical injustices, as an example of America's emerging strength and ability to bring stability and security to a new era. Well folks, times have changed, and it feels like we've peaked and that everything is unstable and insecure. It's downright scary! I guess that's my point - awards for Hal Holbrook, Ruby Dee, and Julie Christie might not have changed the world and might not even have been merited, but at least for the moment recognizing these giants might have helped to maintain the illusion that we are still connected to our past strength and are correcting past wrongs and are busy building a better world - if only for a few hours on a Sunday night.

Well, what can I say? I believe in truth - and it goes without saying that there have been great shifts of power and influence in the world that have left us all to face an uncertain future. Sometimes, I guess, even I want to turn out the lights and watch a movie or an award show and pretend that everything is still peachy keen. Bring on Busby Berkeley and the showgirls...or, at least Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers. Remember the Titanic- we can dance until we slide into the sea.

Pleasant Dreams - maybe, like the movies it's all an illusion.

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Letters To The Editor

Dear Susan:

I hope you will allow me to use your paper to clear up some confusion that has come to my attention. Recently, I received an e-mail from one of your readers telling me that your paper had "lifted your bit about the SMVFA and Measure U almost word-for-word...without any attribution." This person was concerned about what they called plagiarism on the part of your paper.

While I understand that the appearance as things occurred might lead a person to believe that had happened, I informed the reader, and with this letter want to inform readers of your paper who might have similar thoughts, that the reality is different than the perception.

I attended the SMVFA meeting in question, and wrote the story for my paper, with my byline. I then modified it slightly, and took my name off it, so that people reading your paper would not be confused when they saw my name on an article in a different paper than the one I write for. I then submitted the piece to your

paper, and you printed it. Apparently, in my attempt to avoid confusion, I created confusion, and at least one of your readers reacted in a negative manner towards your paper because of it.

There have been other articles that have appeared in your paper that were similar to or word for word duplications of what has appeared in the paper I write for, SGV Weekly, or on my website, SierraMadreNews.Net. And that will happen again. The reason for that is that sometimes the coverage that is in my paper or on my website is information that an organization I am working with would like to see distributed more widely than just those two venues. In those instances, I may submit my work, or a slightly altered version of that work, to the organization for distribution as a press release, because it may be more appropriate that the press release come from the involved organization than from a writer for a "competitor paper," even if that writer is a part of the organization releasing the information.

For instance, I am a

member of the Chamber of Commerce, and right now there is a lot of coverage of the Wistaria Festival on my website and in my paper. Some of those articles, either altered somewhat or exactly as they appear, are being sent to the Chamber staff for distribution to other local media. Since my relationship with you and your paper has improved recently, I have in some cases submitted directly to you, as was the case with the article in question.

In the future, to avoid unwarranted (though understandable in this case) speculation that your paper is engaging in inappropriate publication of my work, I will try to remember to either remove my name from the coverage in my paper, or include it in my distribution to you.

To the reader (s?) that was (were) concerned, I appreciate you looking out for me. But in this case, it was a false alarm.

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080809MG	File No. 20080263783	080814DV	File No. 20080297152
FICTITIOUS STATEMENT	BUSINESS NAME	FICTITIOUS STATEMENT	BUSINESS NAME

080810SJ	File No. 20080297282	080815MG	File No. 20080289794
FICTITIOUS STATEMENT	BUSINESS NAME	FICTITIOUS STATEMENT	BUSINESS NAME

ELAN COLLECTION, ELAN Full name of registrant(s) is (are) Ernesto
INTERIORS Polanco 1430 Colorado Blvd Los Angeles,
408 St Louis St CA 90041. The business is conducted as:
AN INDIVIDUAL

080811MG File No. 20080305855
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT

080812DV File No. 20080306311
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME HOG HEAD MANAGEMENT
STATEMENT 775 Rose Ave #8
Lana Beach, GA 30012

080813MG File No. 20080306006
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT

080814DV File No. 20080297152
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT

080815MG File No. 20080289794 Angeles, CA 90021. The business is
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. I
STATEMENT

080816DV File No. 20080279144 (are) Enrique Bueso Cruz and Lizeth
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME Sabellon 1949 W. 20th St Los Angeles,
STATEMENT CA 90015. The business is conducted

080817DV File No. 20080272501 WEST COAST ARCHITECTURAL
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME 12150 Bloomfield Ave Unit V
STATEMENT Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670

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080818DV File No. 20080278200 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
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080819SJ File No. 20080279667
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME 070804MG File No. 20080241253
STATEMENT STATEMENT OF

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080820DV File No. 20080305417 statement does not of itself authorize
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME the use in this state of a Fictitious
STATEMENT Business Name in violation of the

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
AZTECA IMPORTS
 683 Santa Fe Ave
 Los Angeles, CA 90021
 Full name of registrant (s) is (are) Rosa Maria Calderon 683 Santa Fe Ave Los Angeles, CA 90021. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. 1
 rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 at seq. Business and Profession Code)
 First filing:
 02/22; 02/29; 03/07 and 03/14, 2008
 070804MG
070805 File No. 20080271609
STATEMENT OF

The following person (s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious name:

The name of registrant(s) is (are) Felix
Ramos 11512 Virginia Ave Lynwood
CA 90262

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the date it was filed in the office of
the County Clerk. A new Fictitious
Business Name Statement must be
filed before that time. The filing of this
statement does not of itself authorize
the use in this state of a Fictitious
Business Name in violation of the
rights of another under Federal, State,
or common law. (See section 14411
at sec. Business and Profession Code)
First filing:
02/22, 02/29; 03/07 and 03/14, 2008
070805

070806 File No. 20080263437
STATEMENT OF
ABANDONMENT OF USE OF

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Feb 13, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) ended to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/13/2008.

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Statement expires five years from
the date it was filed in the office of
the County Clerk. A new Fictitious
Business Name Statement must be
filed before that time. The filing of this
statement does not of itself authorize
the use in this state of a Fictitious
Business Name in violation of the
rights of another under Federal, State,
or common law. (See section 14411
at seq. Business and Profession Code)
First filing:
02/22, 02/29; 03/07 and 03/14, 2008
070806

070807 File No. 20080246444
STATEMENT OF
ABANDONMENT OF USE OF

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
The following person (s) has (have)
abandoned the use of the fictitious

The name of registrant(s) is (are) Alfonso Sanchez 2385 Glenrose Ave Altadena, CA 91101. The business was conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Current File #2007-1037304. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) .

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Feb 11, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) ended to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/11/2008.

NOTICE-The Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or common law. (See section 14411 at seq. Business and Profession Code)

First filing:
02/28/02; 02/29; 03/07 and 03/14, 2008

070807

070808RC File No. 20080271536
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT

Full name of registrant (s) is (are) Felix Ramos 11512 Virginia Ave Lynwood, CA 90262
 . The business is conducted as: AN INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the

on Feb 14, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) not commenced to transact business under the fictitious business

Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or common law (See section 14111 a) seq. Business and Profession Code).
First filing:
02/22; 02/29; 03/07 and 03/14, 2008
070808RC

**060801MG File No. 20080208163
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT**

South El Monte, CA 91732.
Full name of registrant (s) is (are)
Fernando Jacinto 9614 E. Garvey
Ave #C South El Monte, CA 91732.
The business is conducted as: AN
INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all
information in this statement is true
and correct. (A registrant who declares
as true information, which he or she
knows to be false, is guilty of a crime).
This statement was filed with the
County Clerk of Los Angeles County
on Feb 04, 2008. The registrant (s) has
(have) not commenced to transact
business under the fictitious business
name or names listed above.
NOTICE-The Fictitious Name
Statement expires five years from

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the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 at seq. Business and Profession Code) First filing: 02/15; 02/22; 02/29 and 03/07, 2008 060801MG

060802MG File No. 20080207591 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (s) is (are) doing business as:
SAN JUAN DE DIOS BAKERY
2102 N. Long Beach Blvd
Compton, CA 90220.
Full name of registrant (s) is (are) Miguel Mendez Roman 2102 N. Long Beach Blvd Compton, CA 90220. The business is conducted as: AN INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Feb 04, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above.
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060803MG File No. 20080215576 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (s) is (are) doing business as:
CROSBY'S CARE
696 Gleu Ave
Glendale, CA 91206
Full name of registrant (s) is (are) CROSBY'S CARE, LLC 696 Gleu Ave Glendale, CA 91206. The business is conducted as: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Feb 05, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above 02/05/2008.
NOTICE-The Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 at seq. Business and Profession Code) First filing: 02/15; 02/22; 02/29 and 03/07, 2008 060803MG

060804MG File No. 20080224152 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (s) is (are) doing business as:
R. M. A. 1111
9824 Holmes Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90002.
Full name of registrant (s) is (are) Ricardo Martin 9824 Holmes Ave Los Angeles, CA 90002. The business is conducted as: AN INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Feb 06, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/08/2008.
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060805MG File No. 20080223749 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (s) is (are) doing business as:
M & W MOBILE CARWASH AND DETAILING
16505 Vanowen St #220
Van Nuys, CA 91406.
Full name of registrant (s) is (are) Melvin J. Romero and William R. Escobar 16505 Vanowen St #220 Van Nuys, CA 91406. The business is conducted as: COPARTNERS. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Feb 06, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above 01/29/2008.
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060806MG File No. 20080216103 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (s) is (are) doing business as:
KEY BRIDE, TRANC IMAGE
931 Palm Ave #A
San Gabriel, CA 91776.
Full name of registrant (s) is (are) Cathryn Cong 931 Palm Ave #A San Gabriel, CA 91776. The business is conducted as: AN INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County

Clerk of Los Angeles County on Feb 05, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/05/2008.
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060807JJ File No. 20080215288 STATEMENT OF WITHDRAWAL FROM PARTNERSHIP OPERATING UNDER FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
The following person (s) has (have) withdrawn as a general partner (s) from the partnership operating under the fictitious business name of THE MUSIC NOTES
3027 W. Valley Blvd
Alhambra, CA 91803.
The fictitious business name statement for the partnership was filed on 04/30/2007. Current File No. 2007-1035390. The full name of registrant(s) is (are) Iris Sandra Cepeda Perez 3027 W. Valley Blvd Alhambra, CA 91803. The business was conducted by: A PARTNERSHIP. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Feb 05, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) ended transacting business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/05/2008.
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060808MG File No. 20080207840 STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
The following person (s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious name:
ADVANCED SMOG TEST ONLY CENTER
9614 E. Garvey Ave #C
South El Monte, CA 91733
The name of registrant(s) is (are) Kenny Ngo 9614 E. Garvey Ave #C South El Monte, CA 91733. The business was conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 07/20/2005. Original File #05-1713758. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) .
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Feb 04, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) ended to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/04/2008.
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060809AN File No. 20080223501 STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
The following person (s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious name:
EL PARRAL
2800 Firestone Blvd
Bellflower, CA 90280
The name of registrant(s) is (are) Cesar Sosa 11918 Heritage Cir Downey, CA 90240. The business was conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 11/08/2006. Original File #06-2482926. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) .
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Feb 06, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) ended to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/06/2008.
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060810DS File No. 20080159115 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (s) is (are) doing business as:
ROSENFELD AND ASSOCIATES
133 N. Swall Dr
Beverly Hills, CA 90211
Full name of registrant (s) is (are) Benjamin Rosenfield 133 N. Swall Dr Beverly Hills, CA 90211. The business is conducted as: AN INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Jan 25, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) not commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above.
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02/15; 02/22; 02/29 and 03/07, 2008 060810DS

060811EH File No. 20080231863 STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
The following person (s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious name:
ARTESANIAS “EL RINCON MEXICANO”
611 N. Occidental #4
Los Angeles, CA 90026
The name of registrant(s) is (are) Fabiola Cienega 611 N. Occidental #4 Los Angeles, CA 90026. The business was conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 08/23/2007. Original File #20007-1980815. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.)
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Feb 07, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) ended to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/07/2008.
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060812EH File No. 20080231888 STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
The following person (s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious name:
EROSE
1056 W. 47th St
Los Angeles, CA 90037
The name of registrant(s) is (are) Camelia Scott 1056 W. 47th St Los Angeles, CA 90037 . The business was conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 04/16/2007. Original File #20007-0905860. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.)
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Feb 07, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) ended to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/07/2008.
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060813EH File No. 20080233086 STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
The following person (s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious name:
HELEN'S BEAUTY SALON
4070 Tweedy Blvd Ste C
South Gate, CA 90280
The name of registrant(s) is (are) Priscilla Paz 4070 Tweedy Blvd Ste C South Gate, CA 90280. The business was conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 04/16/2007. Original File #20007-0905860. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.)
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060814 File No. 20080232017 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (s) is (are) doing business as:
eTronicGlobal.com, eTronic Global
1443 Calle Linda
San Dimas, CA 91773
Full name of registrant (s) is (are) Shant Asadovrian 1443 Calle Linda San Dimas, CA 91773. The business is conducted as: COPARTNERS. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Feb 07, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) not commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above.
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060815 File No. 20080232247 STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
The following person (s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious name:
M.A.B.A. TRUCKING
2812 S. Hobart Blvd
Los Angeles, CA 90018
The name of registrant(s) is (are) Michael Brown 2812 S. Hobart Blvd Los Angeles, CA 90018. The business was conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 05/05/2006. Original File #20006-0028888. I declare that all information in this statement is true and

CITY OF SIERRA MADRE CALIFORNIA Invites applications for
Sierra Madre Police Department POLICE SERGEANT I
\$4,248.42 - \$5,450.20 CalPERS 3% @ 55
Application Deadline: 4:00 p.m. Thursday, March 13, 2008

***Position:** The City of Sierra Madre is seeking an experienced and committed police professional who possesses outstanding leadership, organizational and interpersonal skills to serve the Sierra Madre community. Under general supervision the Police Sergeant is responsible for supervision, assignments, and reviews subordinates work; enforces rules, regulations, policies and general orders; advises and assists in patrol, detective, juvenile, and desk supervisory operations. Performs complex and responsible law enforcement supervision and planning.*

Qualifications

The ideal candidate will have a bachelor’s degree in public administration or a related field. A minimum of 10 years of police experience with at least 2 years as a Corporal/Agent or above is desirable. Strong writing skills, the ability to foster good working relationships, and to motivate and develop others are essential qualities.

License or Certification Requirements

- Valid Class-C California driver’s license
- Requires a POST Advanced certificate. A POST-approved supervisory course is required within one year of appointment to position.

Salary and Benefits

- Salary range: \$4,248.42 - \$5,190.67 per month. Salary will be negotiated based on qualifications.
- Up to \$630 per month for health, dental, and vision insurance for employee and family; plus 25% of the cost in excess of \$630/month.
- \$50,000 A D & D and life insurance policies & PERS level II survivor benefit is provided.
- PERS retirement – City participates in the CalPERS retirement system. City pays full employee share and counts toward final retirement compensation. No participation in social security. 3%@55
- Annual paid leave of 88 vacation hours (for first four years), 11 paid holidays, and 96 hours of sick leave with a wellness bonus program.
- Uniform allowance: \$700 annually.
- 3/12 work schedule
- Flexible spending accounts for medical and child-care expenses.
- \$5,000 signing bonus, \$2,500 payable upon appointment, and \$2,500 after passing 18 month probationary period.

Application Process
Application deadline: Thursday, March 13, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. Candidates should send a completed application and current resume to Miguel Hernandez, Personnel Analyst, Sierra Madre City Hall, 232 West Sierra Madre Boulevard, Sierra Madre CA 91024. Applications can also be faxed to (626) 355-2251.

Applications must be completed and demonstrate that the minimum qualifications are met. All statements made on

the application are subject to investigation and verification.

Resumes may be attached to completed application forms as supplemental information, but will not be accepted in lieu of an official application form. The most qualified candidates will be selected to participate in an interview process, followed by a practical test for the successful candidates. All candidates who meet the minimum qualifications will remain candidates until a final offer is accepted by the candidate who most closely meets the requirements of the City. The City may conclude that none of the candidates, even those who meet the minimum qualifications, are appropriate for the position.

The successful outside candidate must pass:

- Background investigation; and
- Pre-employment medical exam, including a physical agility and a drug/alcohol screening; and
- Psychological screening; and
- Polygraph; and
- Reference and background verification, including a credit screening.

References will not be contacted until a mutual interest has been established.

Please attach POST certification to application.
Immigration and Reform Act of 1986
In compliance with the Immigration and Reform Act of 1986, all new employees must demonstrate eligibility to legally work in the United States by providing required documentation.

Equal Opportunity Employer
The City does not make employment decisions based on sex, race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status or physical handicap, except when such qualifications are appropriate occupational qualifications.

Employment Standards
Employment with the City of Sierra Madre is contingent upon meeting the medical standards of the position. A candidate must pass a pre-employment physical examination, including a drug/alcohol screening and a reference and background check. The City of Sierra Madre makes reasonable accommodations for disabled persons, considering each situation on an individual basis. Please make direct requests for accommodation to Community & Personnel Services. The provisions of this job announcement do not constitute an expressed or implied contract. Any provision contained in this job announcement may be modified or revoked without notice.

Questions
Questions may be directed to Miguel Hernandez at (626) 355-7135 or at mhernandez@ci.sierra-madre.ca.us.

Applicants may wish to visit the City’s official website – www.cityofsierramadre.com – for further information.

City of Sierra Madre
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

To: City Wide
From: The City of Sierra Madre ~ Department of Public Works
Subject: **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT F.Y. 2008 ~ 2009**
Applicant: City of Sierra Madre

The City of Sierra Madre gives notice, pursuant to State of California law, that the City Council will conduct a public hearing to consider the Community Development Block Grant 34th year ~ FY 2008 ~ 2009

DATE & TIME OF HEARING	PLACE OF HEARING
City of Sierra Madre City Council meeting Tuesday, March 25, 2007 Meeting begins at 6:30 pm	City of Sierra Madre City Council Chambers 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Sierra Madre, CA. 91024

All interested persons may attend this meeting and the City Council will hear them with respect thereto.

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) FY 2008 ~ 2009

The proposed program consists of the following components:	
Exchange CDBG Unallocated Funds Fiscal Year 2008-2009	\$54,219.81
Exchange CDBG Unallocated Funds	<u>\$ 6,439.81</u>
Total	\$54,219.81

City of Hawaiian Gardens for General Fund Dollars	
Sixty Cents (.60) on the Dollar (\$1.00)	\$32,531.89

Total CDBG funds allocated:	\$54,219.81
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Total General Funds received from City of Hawaiian Gardens exchanged for allocated CDBG funds.	\$32,531.89
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Posted: March 3, 2008
Suzi McConnell, Administrative Assistant
Department of Public Works

correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.)
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050805MG File No. 20080167102 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (s) is (are) doing business as:
LT INVESTMENTS
4312 Friar Circle
La Verne, CA 91750.
Full name of registrant (s) is (are) Mike Lopez and Tony Toy 4312 Friar Circle La Verne, CA 91750. The business is conducted as: COPARTNERS. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Jan 28, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above 01/28/2008.
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050806MG File No. 20080125046

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (s) is (are) doing business as:
RAMIREZ FASHION
1638 ½ Washington Blvd Unit 4A/4C
Los Angeles, CA 90007.
Full name of registrant (s) is (are) Nicasio Ramirez 1638 ½ Washington Blvd Unit 4A/4C Los Angeles, CA 90007. The business is conducted as: AN INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Jan 23, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Jan 23, 2008.
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050807 File No. 20080153475 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (s) is (are) doing business as:
THE CHILDREN'S PLAYHOUSE
700 S. Ave 60
Los Angeles, CA 90042.
Full name of registrant (s) is (are) Abigail Lucy Manhey 700 S. Ave 60 Los Angeles, CA 90042. The business is conducted as: AN INDIVIDUAL. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Jan 23, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) not commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above.
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0802MBP File No. 20080356486 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person (s) is (are) doing business as:
BEAR MANAGEMENT
171 E. Grand View Avenue
Sierra Madre, CA 91024.
Full name of registrant (s) is (are) Mary Lou Caldwell and Gordon Wayne Caldwell, 171 E. Grand View Avenue, Sierra Madre, CA. 91024. . The business is conducted as: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on February 29, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) not commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 08-0347857
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **ACJ LEATHER COMPANY**, 122-A EAST FOOTHILL BLV #150, ARCADIA, CA 91006. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ALDEMAR MARTOS, 122-A EAST FOOTHILL

Jeff's Pics

The Book Reports

By Jeff Brown

Krueger's Men: The Secret Nazi Counterfeit Plot and the Prisoners of Block 19
by Lawrence Malkin (2006)

This book is about how the Nazis planned to destroy the British economy during WWII. Bernhard Krueger is put in charge of more than 140 mostly Jewish prisoners who were artists, printers, metal plate makers or master counterfeiters before they were assembled at the death camp. They were forced to produce millions of counterfeit dollars to be dumped on the international market. We learn how these men tried to use sabotage and intelligence to foil the plot and to save themselves, but finally produced near perfect money that was spread throughout Europe and had a profound effect on the British economy. The men had begun work on American currency, but the war ended. The book offers a well-researched and fascinating part of WWII history.

Why Women Should Rule the World by Dee Dee Myers (2008)

Myers was the first woman White House Press Secretary. She states why she wrote the book, "This is not about excluding men. I love men but there is plenty of room for more women at the top, not because it's the right thing to do this, but because it is more in our self interest to have more women in the public life; everyone wins. They make the world a better place, the economy works better, government becomes more responsive to people's needs, women work towards a better quality of life for everyone. This is not automatic, it's just that woman bring different priorities, more focus on human and social issues and they expand the scope of problems they address. Statistics show that corporations with more senior women do financially better. This is an unstoppable force of history right now. More women than ever are heads of Ivy league colleges and corporations. More woman are Presidents of countries around the world." It's time for this now. Myers is currently a political analyst, media commentator, and a former consultant to NBC's *The West Wing*.

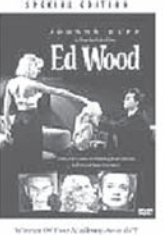
The Seeker's Guide-Making Your Life A Spiritual Adventure by Elizabeth Lesser (2000) previously published as "The New American Spirituality"

Elizabeth Lesser speaks to America's many religious, metaphysical, psychological, and ancient traditions that have flowered into our present day spirituality. She takes us along in her journey as she followed her personal religious path through Buddhist monasteries, Christian churches, African and Native American traditions, etc. She discusses why so many Americans are coming to their own personal form of religion. She also offers numerous suggestions on finding your own path and truth. A great look and help thru the myriad of religious beliefs by one person who took the journey herself.

Recommended by Jack Reacher:
Robert Ludlum's The Bourne Betrayal [Hardcover] by Eric Van Lustbader.
Jason Bourne, in this new novel, joins the war on terror in another gripping macho tale!

Book pics can be purchased or ordered at Sierra Madre Books (836-3200)
Email recommendations or comments to jeffspics1@gmail.com

Scene One - Take One DVD Review



Ed Wood (1994) R
Director Tim Burton's wonderful black and white study of Ed Wood "the worst filmmaker in Hollywood history" with great performance by Johnny Depp, who plays the zany director with a sunny disposition who loved to direct his bad films while dressed in women's undergarments. Also playing in an Oscar winning performance is Martin Landau as Bela Lugosi. Sarah Jessica Parker and Bill Murray co-star. Very unusual, campy and fun film.

Love for Lydia (1979) (4-Disc Series)
In this Masterpiece Theatre TV miniseries adapted from the semi-autobiographical novel by H.E. Bates, English pastoral life and the red hot Jazz Era come alive as we witness a young girl's change from shy teen to wild flapper. The young and giddy heiress, Lydia Aspen, dances the Charleston as easily as she flits from one eligible bachelor to another, among them a struggling and long suffering young writer convinced that he'd be the heroine's one true love if only given the chance. The cast includes Jeremy Irons in one of his early major roles.



To Have and Have Not (1944)
William Faulkner and Jules Furthman wrote this Howard Hawks classic starring Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall (who fell in love with each other on the set). Bogie plays Harry Morgan, a charter boat owner who falls for Bacall, who plays a seductive petty thief. The film is very entertaining from the beginning. This was Bacall's first film. She was 19 years old and beautiful. Bogey is an apolitical American overseas who, as in Casablanca, winds up fighting the Nazis. Walter Brennan as Bogey's side-kick is fun to watch. The story has intrigue, action, danger, beautiful women, fun music with Hoagy Carmichael, wonderful characters, comedy and great dialog.

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090808MG File No. 20080288978 STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
The following person (s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious name:
JOEL'S BARBER SHOP
2910 W. Beverly Blvd
Montebello, CA 90640
The name of registrant(s) is (are) Joel A. Gomez 15552 Del Prado Dr Hacienda Heights, CA 91745. The business was conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 02/02/2007. Original File #07-0270728. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.)
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Feb 19, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) ended to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/19/2008.
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090809ED File No. 20080322603 STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
The following person (s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious name:
RJ ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS
20307 Elkwood St
Winnetka, CA 91306
The name of registrant(s) is (are) Ramon Pablo L. Lavares 20307 Elkwood St Winnetka, CA 91306. The business was conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 01/31/2007. Original File #07-0209166. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.)
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090810ED File No. 20080357509 STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
The following person (s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious name:
HENCAL ENTERPRISE
6443 Florence Ave
Bell Gardens, CA 90201
The name of registrant(s) is (are) Henri De Jesus Sosa Calderon 3296 Sequoia Dr South South Gate, CA 90280. The business was conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 04/27/2007. Original File #2007-01026103. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Feb 29, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) ended to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/29/2008.
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090811MG File No. 20080347232 STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
The following person (s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious name:
UNEK DESIGN
5739 Hazelbrook Ave
Lakewood, CA 90712
The name of registrant(s) is (are) Floricar Bumacod 5739 Hazelbrook Ave Lakewood, CA 90712 The business was conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 07/31/2006.

Original File #2006-1687940. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.)
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090812ED File No. 20080314617 STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
The following person (s) has (have) abandoned the use of the fictitious name:
ELEGANCE UPHOSTERY
6106 Rockne Ave
Whittier, CA 90606
Full name of registrant (s) is (are) Ricardo Vargas 6106 Rockne Ave Whittier, CA 90606 The business is conducted as: AN INDIVIDUAL. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 08/25/2004. Original File #2004-2192335. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information, which he or she knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on Feb 22, 2008. The registrant (s) has (have) ended to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/22/2008.
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From the Inside Out

An Ongoing Series of Personal Points of View on Health

By Mary Carney

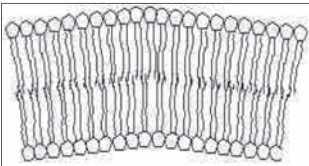
Our Amazing Cell Walls.....

I never know when I'll find something that is exciting to me. With as much reading as I do, it sometimes seems as if the "been there, done that, familiar with that" becomes a distressfully recurring pattern resulting in "ho hum".

However ... I learned something about the structure of cell membranes over the weekend that had my jaw on the floor. Graphic No. 2 that represents the cell membrane structure was developed by pioneers Davson and Danielli between 1935 and 1955! Obviously this info had not yet gotten into the school books when I was studying biology!

A cell membrane (I drew this one) is made up of essential fatty acids (lipids) in a "two tailed" straight pin shape. The round head of the "pin" is able to absorb water, while the two tails, also composed of lipids (EFAs), repel water.

A cell wall has two rows of these "pin" shaped structures - one with the round "heads" facing out while their tails face in, and the second layer with the heads facing in and the tails reaching towards the other tails.



Interspersed between these phospholipid structures are various proteins that escort cell nutrients from the outside of the cell walls to inside of the cell walls, and the "no longer needed" stuff from the inside to the outside. There are so many great movable images of how they work together available on the web - I urge you to go to your computer right now and search on "cell membrane structure".

Because of these images, I now understand "why" EFAs (essential fatty acids) and the right proteins, are so essential to our health. And now, when someone says "nanotechnology", I also now understand that, if important micronutrients can be surrounded by an EFA shell, these nutrients can be more rapidly absorbed by cells, replenishing the supplies the cells need to do their jobs.

EFAs are one of the main components of our cell structure. If we're low on EFAs, our cell membrane eventually weakens and holes are created. When cell wall damage occurs, the cholesterol molecules that patrol among the water repelling tails are our front line troops that throw their bodies into the holes to plug them up. Whenever your medical and lab tests report cholesterol along walls, or arteries, or layered anywhere outside the barracks (the water repelling lipid tails), it's because they've been trying to repair damage to the cell walls, and keep the cells operating.

So, what's damaging those outside cell walls? Acids. Lots and lots of acids. Yes, we need some acids, in the right places, and at the right times. We need, for example, enough hydrochloric acid (HCl) to help break down the foods in our stomach so the various other enzymes and fluids have a better chance of doing their jobs during the digestive process. Lots of health problems are due to too little HCl, compounded by too many anti-acids to "sooth" the stomach when it really needs more acid.

But too much acid? You remember those two articles on pH back in January that some readers said they couldn't understand? Well, if you have an ongoing saliva pH below 5.6, your body fluids are so acid that they start dissolving your cell membranes faster than repair can occur. Then you are moving into truly serious disease and illness states. Drugging, cutting and radiation will not correct the acid state; rather the fear and stress those treatments cause will help create even stronger acid conditions. Remember, only one 12-ounce can of a soft drink requires 32 equivalent 12-ounce cans/bottles of water to neutralize it ...

If your saliva is between 5.6 and 6.6, your cells have an ongoing fight to keep operating. This leads to cell, and muscle and nerve inflammation that accumulates into to increasing aches, and pains, and general feelings of stiffness and discomfort. So, when the doctor says - "you have inflammation", what you need to understand is that you're way too acid, and your poor cell walls are having a real hard time of it. And again, there is no drug that is going to change that.

If you have too many of the wrong fats, the water reducing tails become quite "stiff", when you're doing well with your essential fatty acids, those tails become much more flexible, the cell walls are then more flexible, and your larger muscles move more easily and are more flexible and more pain-free, as well.

Healing truly is an "inside" job - and it happens from the inside out. In addition to taking your EFAs internally, consider using them as skin lotions. It's the fastest way to get their support to the cells that need them most. Flexibility, here I come!

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TABLE FOR TWO

By Peter Dills

Bargains - Part Two

I received an email last week, with the person asking me how people could afford to eat out with everything being so expensive at the moment. Gas prices are hitting \$4, coffee is \$5.00 and a McDonalds' (not that this snob would know) meal will cost you \$6.00. How can you afford to go out and eat with those prices? So I pulled out the old, and I mean old, wallet and found that only a few bucks were available, you know gas prices and all.

The answer is Happy Hour!!!

The Happy Hour comes for all of you hard working employees out there that just couldn't wait to get off work and get a drink before dinner. Happy Hours have changed over the year,s with the stricter driving laws. Happy Hour has evolved from buy-one get-one-drink to discounted drinks with deep discounts for the food. In the 1920's it was a Navy slang for a period of entertainment. Happy Hour firmly captured the public's attention when, in 1959, a Saturday Evening Post article described the word "happy" to mean slightly drunk. Happy Hour has been an after-work ritual ever since. I have rounded up a few of the better spots in the area, and listed them in no particular order.

The oldest restaurant in Pasadena, open for over 85 years, is **Mijares** at 145 Palmetto. Mijares offers reduced drinks specials plus some above average complimentary (FREE!) wings, enchiladas and chips. Good Monday through Thursday. (626) 792-2763.

Islands! Yes, Islands, located on East Foothill Blvd and at The Paseo Pasadena. They offer an assortment of ½ price appetizers and \$1.00 off beer and selected spirits. Happy Hour goes from 4 PM to 7 PM. (626) 351-6543

Il Fornaio offers complimentary food between 3 PM to 6 PM, Mon thru Friday. Selections include pizza, pasta and sandwiches and drinks that are at a special price; located in Miller's Alley off the corner of Fair Oaks and Colorado. (626) 683-9797

Always busy for Happy Hour is **McCormick and Schmick's**, 111 N. Los Robles in Pasadena; awarded by some on-line users as "The Best-of-the-Best" Happy Hour in town. Prices range from \$1.95 to \$4.95. There is always a beer and wine of the day, usually around the \$3.00 mark. Appetizers include Buffalo wings, oysters, mussels and a \$1.95 cheeseburger that is a meal itself. Heck I have had a KOBE Beef Burger at other places, for \$15. (626) 405-0064. Also available in Burbank.

Did I miss any of your favorites? If so Email me at thechefknows@yahoo.com. Speaking of Mijare's, watch The Chef Knows this Sunday Night at 8 PM in KJLA; we visit Mijare's Restaurant



The Mountain Clymer

By Kim Clymer-Kelley

Career Day

Is there anyone out there besides me who is still trying to figure out what they want to be when they grow up? I sat down to write my column today and, in an effort to avoid doing so as long as possible (geeze!!! I thought this would get easier as time went by, but it just gets harder every week) anyway...with my finely tuned and well developed avoidance skills working at their peak efficiency, I instead started a job search online...scanning through the ads on Monster.com for hours, trying to find something interesting for me to pursue. As I did so, I began to think about all of the things throughout my life that I have "wanted to be when I grow up" and I realized that I have never really decided.

The first thing that I can recall wanting to be (besides Glenda the Good Witch of the North or a mermaid ...not much



money in either of those gigs) was a tightrope walker in the circus. This came about because of a deck of "Old Maid" cards that I had. They had a circus



theme and one of the characters on the cards was a beautiful girl dressed in a pink tutu, carrying a parasol and balancing gracefully on a wire.



She was so beautiful and her job was so exciting to me that I wanted to be just like her when I grew up. I practiced outside in my yard by walking the edge of my sand box. Convinced that I was nearly ready for the big top, I felt I needed to test my expertise. Upon climbing to the top of the swing set with the

intent of walking across the top rail, I realized that I was afraid of heights. As I laid across the rail, clinging for dear life and screaming for my mother to get me down, I decided that perhaps I needed to reevaluate my choice of careers...as soon as I was safely on the ground and I could regain my composure. I turned my sights on ballet instead (she did look like a ballerina too) but I quit my dance lessons when they kept me from seeing my hero Mighty Mouse on Saturday morning cartoons...I guess even at 5 you have your priorities.

I believe the next thing that I decided on was a cowgirl...probably from watching too much "Bonanza" and my favorite cartoon host "Sally Starr" (those of you from the Philly area will remember her, I think).

My mom ordered me a cowgirl outfit from the Sears catalog. It was red with white trim and a black yoke with fringe and stars across the chest and had silver-trimmed fake mother of pearl buttons down the front. I was thrilled. I would put on that outfit and my mom's tall black boots and ride my black stallion rocking horse off into the sunset.

I remember donning the entire outfit and, with my "Sally Starr" doll in hand, traipsing down to a meet "Sally Starr" at the grand opening of a local milk store. I proudly showed her my doll and she gave me her 8x10 glossy black and white autographed photo. My fascination with horses and the west did remain with me throughout my life and it is one of my only childhood fantasies that actually did come true when I purchased the pack station at 43.

As I became more sophisticated and worldly, my interests took on a more international flair. Inspired by the mystery, suspense, and romance of the 1960's spy genre, The Man (and Girl) From Uncle, T.H.E. Cat, The Avengers, I Spy and Get Smart, I decided that this was the career I was truly cut out for. I particularly admired Honey West, whose exploits showed me that, yes, girls can be spies too.

I dressed in my black ski pants and sweater, once again donned my mother's black knee high boots, put my poor cat, Timmy, on a leash, and slinked around the house, stealthily spying on my siblings and their friends as they played. I am not sure if I was more intrigued with Honey's career or her ocelot, but I sure was determined to have both...someday.

As I got closer to my adolescent years, I took the spy idea

and matured it a bit. After a visit to the F.B.I. building in Washington when I was 12, I saw how real life sleuths functioned. It was fascinating to see all of the labs and training facilities and to hear about all of the intriguing cases that they had dealt with there at "headquarters." This was real...this was something that I could REALLY do. I set my sights on becoming an F.B.I. agent...for a few months...then along came "Star Trek" and the first moon landing.

That was it! I was sold and determined. I was going to be an ASTRONAUT... one of the first female space pioneers. And so it remained right through college application time. When people asked my mom what I wanted to be and what I was going to study in college, she would kind of roll her eyes to let them know how ridiculous she thought it was and then told them..."She thinks she's going to be an astronaut." I found it a little disheartening and by the time I had to decide which of the engineering programs to which I had been accepted I would attend, I had changed my mind and my major from aerospace engineering to art.

I did make use of my art degree for many years, but only because it was something that I was good at. I enjoyed some of the jobs. I did displays for stores, newspaper layout, ad design, magazine illustration and even designed some collectibles for a Japanese version of the "Franklin Mint". Through all of this I was constantly trying to figure out what I really wanted to be doing. I started work on an MBA and a masters in Art Therapy. When computers came along, I took classes in computer graphics. I got my certification to substitute teach and my massage therapist certificate. I all but completed 3 certificate programs at PCC in various aspects of television production. I took up writing, and ran the pack station. Yet through all of this, I never really felt that I had found my calling (except for the Pack Station...I would have stayed there for life, had circumstances allowed...though I am sure that I would still have been exploring other things on the side from time to time.)

So here I am...ready to move on again...still looking....still trying to answer that age old question "What do I want to be when I grow up?" Maybe that question has never been answered for a reason...maybe somewhere deep inside me I realized one important and frightening thing...that if I ever do decide, I would actually have to "grow up". But I will continue my quest...keep myself open to all of the possibilities out there, pour over the want ads and the career and adult school catalogs, research every new thing that I hear of that piques my interest in my pursuit of the answer. I will keep searching for that elusive and divine inspiration, but you know what.... TV just ain't what it used to be.

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A GIFT FROM HEAVEN: DENNIS PRAGER



Elizabeth House, the only shelter for homeless, pregnant women in the San Gabriel Valley – will hold "Era for Change" benefit on March 29 at Oakmont Country Club in Glendale. Nationally syndicated radio host Dennis Prager, will For Angelina Coe, Executive Director of Elizabeth House, Dennis Prager is a "gift from Heaven."

"I cannot begin to describe how thrilled we are that a speaker as renowned as Dennis Prager has agreed to be celebrity speaker at our annual benefit An Era for Change," says Coe. "At Elizabeth House, our programs address not only the physical needs of women in a crisis pregnancy, by providing them with a safe home, but their emotional and spiritual needs as well. Dennis is a perfect match for Elizabeth House because his show often discusses the same issues we focus on here."

The event will take place on Saturday, March 29 at the Oakmont Country Club in Glendale. The gala will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a reception and silent auction; dinner will follow at 8 p.m. For more information, to donate an auction item, become involved, or purchase tickets call 626.577.4434 or visit www.elizabethhouse.net.

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Wistaria Shuttle Tickets Now Available Online
The Chamber of Commerce has announced that tickets for the shuttle to the Wistaria Vine can now be purchased online at: www.SierraMadreChamber.com.

The Wistaria Festival is just weeks away, on March 30th, and now is the time to make sure you get tickets at the time that you want to view the vine. Cost of the tickets is \$10, and tickets are distributed based on one-hour time increments, to eliminate overcrowding at the Vine. Tickets are required to view the vine, and are free, but the shuttle up the somewhat daunting hill to the vine costs \$10.

The Wistaria Vine has more than 1.5 million luxuriant lavender blossoms and is estimated to weighs in excess of 250 tons. It is more than one acre in size. It has been named by the Guinness Book of World Records as the largest blossoming plant in the world. It is also known as one of the seven horticultural wonders of the world, which also include the redwood forest in Sequoia National Park, Brazil's tropical jungle in the Amazon Valley, India's gardens of the Taj Mahal, and the gardens of Buckingham Palace.

In addition to viewing the vine, the Chamber of Commerce puts on a festival downtown, which will feature in excess of 150 craft and food vendors. More than a dozen bands will be performing in several different outdoor venues. For more info visit www.SierraMadreChamber.com or contact the Chamber at (626) 355-5111.

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Back Page Journal



Steroids: The New National Pastime

By Brad Eastland, Sports Editor

I promised myself I was not going to do a column on Steroids, but after watching Roger Clemens twist in the wind these last few weeks trying to keep from getting in trouble with the United States Congress just because he lied about baseball stuff, well, I just can't help myself.

Don't get me wrong, I am no Clemens apologist. I think he's lying through his teeth, I think he's juiced to the gills, and even before I was pretty sure he was on the juice I thought he was kind of an arrogant stubborn jerk. But you know what? I don't care! Roger Clemens is not a big villain of the Steroids Era, the ilk of, say, Commissioner Bud Selig, who was instrumental in actually enabling and perpetuating the problem. So what if Clemens took Steroids to try to gain an advantage? Again, I don't care. And neither do you.

What am I trying to say? Well, this is pretty earth-shaking stuff, so I want you to brace yourself. Ready? Here goes: *Americans don't give a tinker's damn about Steroids in baseball.*

That's right. Doesn't make sense, huh? At least if you go by the outrage invariably displayed by many sports columnists, who write with an angry, rabid froth whenever Clemens opens his mouth or whenever Barry Bonds comes to their town.

But it's true. I believe the average American baseball fan is as blasé and hypocritical about the dangers of performance-enhancing drugs as is the average American football fan or American basketball fan or boxing fan or cycling fan (Assuming for a moment that there actually *are* any American cycling fans.).

We do care about bashing Barry Bonds, of course. Sportswriters tell us to, so we do. But Mr. Bonds' crime isn't so much Steroids as it is lack of likeability. Yes, he is a bit of a crab at times. So when we are told not to like him we use the Steroids thing as our best and most convenient excuse. Yet we showed no national angst when documented drug cheats like Jason "I Admit It" Giambi took their drugs, or Andy "I admit it too, but you all know what a basically good and honest person I am" Pettitte or Rick Ankiel or Troy Glaus or Neifi Perez (who?).

Seriously, where's the outrage? Were you outraged when you heard that any of these guys were dirty? No. Oh sure, we gave proven drug gulper Rafael Palmeiro a hard time, and Mark McGwire too, but only because the former lied to us in a classic, Clintonesque, finger-wagging moment before Congress, and because the latter---who we had come to believe was Paul Bunyan in spikes---wimped out. We did not vilify them because of the actual drug taking.

The bottom line is that if we Americans really and truly cared about the proliferation of performance-enhancing drugs in sport, we should have and would have been excoriating these confirmed cheaters right from the get-go. But we didn't and we don't. Why not? Weren't they all attempting to gain "an unfair competitive advantage" over their peers? Sure. But none of these folks had the audacity to win seven Cy Young Awards like Clemens, or threaten and then break the so-called greatest record in American sports, as did Bonds.

So then WHY don't we care? Because, historically, we are a nation of cheaters. We cheat on everything. We cheat on our taxes, we cheat on our wives. We drive too fast and run red lights and drive drunk. I rarely play golf with someone who doesn't improve his lie during his round, at least once. As children we learned early on how to cheat on tests, how and when to lie to our parents, even how to plagiarize a college thesis or two. (Not me, bless my soul, but I know a couple guys who did .) And of course we learned to cheat ourselves with our own drugs, which some of us guys only *thought* enhanced our performance....

And that's why we have always loved baseball. Because baseball has always tolerated---indeed celebrated---the lovable cheater.

It's impossible to say exactly when baseball players and managers began to cheat, but I'll bet it was about five minutes after the game was invented. I bet that in the first inning of the first game, some enterprising coach stole a catcher's sign, or maybe that same wily catcher "framed" a pitch that was a ball into a strike. Heck, back in the late 1800s the spitball was *legal*. So was the the licorice

ball and the coffee ball; anything to make that potato skip and dip, baby. When they finally abolished the spitball long about 1920, many of its practitioners, most notably the great Burleigh Grimes, were actually allowed to keep using it until they retired! No need to take someone's livelihood away, right? What a great country. What a great game.

Gaylord Perry greased and Vaseline'd and snot-smear'd the baseball long after the spitball and all its relatives were banned. That's cheating. So he cheated his way right to the Hall of Fame. So did Whitey Ford and Don Sutton. (Elston Howard admitted to regularly cutting the ball on his shin guard for Ford before throwing it back to him.) None of these men are pilloried like Mr. Bonds, who, though quite likely guilty of something, hasn't even failed a drug test yet. And admit it, you *laughed* back in the 80s, when you saw that video of the nail file flying out of pitcher Joe Niekro's pocket---you didn't write your Congressman about it....

Then there's Norm Cash. The Tigers first baseman never hit higher than .286 in his career---except in 1961, when he belted 41 home runs and led the league in batting with an astonishing .361 average. *Because he coked his bat!* He admitted it. He even *demonstrated* it, drilling an 8-inch hole in the barrel in front of reporters, then filling it with sawdust, glue, and cork. And he is not hated. He is not vilified. Rather, he remains in baseball lore one of its beloved clown princes. (He once came to the plate to face greasy-fast Nolan Ryan carrying a table leg instead of a bat. How do you hate a guy like that?)

Then there is Pete Rose. Ol' Charlie Hustle broke the most sacred commandment of baseball, "*Thou Shalt Not Gamble*", and then lied about it for 15 years. And despite a rap sheet and personal conduct resume that makes Bonds look like the Pope, he remains, for the common baseball fan, one of the most beloved figures in the game. Because in a nation that celebrates cheaters, Rose achieved the holy triffecta: he cheated on his wife, cheated on his taxes, *and* he cheated the game. Ergo, we loved him. And still love him. It's for certain that no ballplayer in history ever got more political mileage out of running to first after a walk....

Mike Schmidt and Henry Aaron have both admitted to occasionally taking amphetamines before a game. Did you know that? This is not a secret, 'Google' it up if you don't believe me. But they are beloved, so nobody cares. Ex-Met John Milner says ex-teammate Willie Mays---yes, the great and beloved Mays himself, but by this time pretty old and worn out---had a bottle of "red juice" (liquid amphetamines) in his locker. And if you believe Dave Parker, Dale Berra and other ex-Pittsburgh Pirates players, no less a beloved figure than the great Willie Stargell would *pass out greenies to his teammates before games!* But Stargell ended up about 300 homers behind Bonds. And he was usually pretty nice to reporters. Meaning he just wasn't good enough or rude enough to merit our collective hatred....

And of course every baseball executive before 1947 cheated the whole country, and in fact the whole Human Race, when they conspired annually to keep black players and Latin players out of the game. Racism, the biggest shell game there is. But we didn't mind that because that's the way we were too.

Baseball is the National Pastime and, deep down, the most beloved game within the whole crazy fabric of American history, because it doesn't pretend to be any more noble or virtuous or holier-than-thou than we are. Except when it comes to the greatest record in American sports, of course.

So the next time Mr. Bonds comes to your town, just sit back and enjoy the show. He's the best since The Babe, you might as well get used to the idea. And he's only got a year or so left in him (assuming anyone even gives him a job this year), so before he's too weak to drag his tired old carcass up to the plate, you should try to appreciate a talent that may never come again. But even if you don't share that view, don't boo him because some frustrated, revenge driven, power-mad sportswriter tells you to, and for God's sake don't boo him over Steroids. Remember: other than the fact that he's stronger, richer, ruder, has quicker bat speed, and chooses to ignore most sportswriters rather than blindly follow them down the road to Hypocrisy, other than all that, he's just a cheater. Just like you.

OH-EIGHT "BIG 'CAP" FAILS TO LIVE UP TO PAST EDITIONS....BUT WHO CARES?

By Brad Eastland

A horse called Heatseeker won the Santa Anita Handicap last week, slogging his way down the stretch and through the rain to best a field of thirteen four-footed anvil salesmen.

Sorry to be so harsh. The 5-year-old son of Giant's Causeway is a nice horse, but in years past the only way he gets this close to a "Big 'Cap" field is through the general admission gate.

For this is no ordinary race, the Big 'Cap. It has been won by Seabiscuit, who was the best racehorse to compete during the Depression and has had a couple of movies made about him. It has been won by Vigors (this reporter's all-time favorite), who rallied from more than 20 lengths behind in his Big 'Cap, in a closing rush so ridiculously furious that upon him was soon bestowed the well-earned nickname "The White Tornado". It was won by Affirmed, who nearly thirty years later is still the last horse to win the Triple Crown. It was won by Spectacular Bid, who set the world record for a mile-and-a-quarter right here at Santa Anita, and is by any possible measuring stick the greatest horse in Santa Anita history. And it was won by John Henry, the indefatigable gelding, an ugly cuss who won multiple Grade One stakes races, who banked over \$6 million bucks back in the 80s (back when \$6 million actually bought you something), and who was so awesome and inspiring a quadruped that a certain local bearded sportswriter once wrote a whole novel about him.

Heatseeker, on the other hand, had never even *competed* in a Grade One stakes (even in an era when Grade Ones aren't even Grade Ones), and had banked only \$330 thousand dollars in his mediocre 14-race career. With a resume like that, you'd think he would have been a monstrous longshot. Nope. He went off at only 7-to-1, paying a very normal-sounding \$16 dollars to win for each two-dollar ticket. (In his defense, he did run faster than the other thirteen slow-pokes who snuck into the race, so what more do you want?---he might well ask in rebuttal if he could.)

But the good news is that Santa Anita, as both a business and a purveyor of peerless sports entertainment, is doing just fine. The crowd was outstanding for a drizzly day, 41,377 thrill-seekers stopping by. The track put on quite a show. They gave the betting public a whopping eleven competitive races to digest, three of them major Stakes affairs. Longshots and big payoffs were the order of the day, with several winning horses going off at double-digit, "boxcar" odds. There was a tremendous Micro-brew festival in the infield, for those with a taste for the finer things in life. And no one seemed to care that Nature rained on Santa Anita's parade yet again.

Santa Anita President Ron Charles and Publicity Director Mike Willman have this legendary track throbbing with excitement again. The Micro-brew festival is just one good example; over 11,000 beer-loving racegoers crammed the infield festival tents to sample the good stuff.

All-in-all, the 2008 Big 'Cap was a rousing success, even without any Seabiscuits or John Henrys to stoke the coals of legend: "In this

economy and with the disastrous meet that we've had to date, we are absolutely thrilled with the way everything went," said Willman.

So if you want to learn more about the history of horse racing in America, keep reading the *Mountain Views-Observer*. And if you want a day of sports entertainment that will stay in your mind and stick to your ribs, come on out and spend an afternoon at beautiful Santa Anita Park in Arcadia---once again the Great Race Place---and see for yourself what all the fuss is about....

Editor's note: Among the 41,377 was 11-year-old Robbie Eastland, attending his first Big Cap. What Rob enjoyed most about the day was watching the races from way up in the Press Box with his dad, along with the excellent (and free!) buffet lunch Santa Anita provides for all the sportswriters....



Heatseeker Is No Seabiscuit....But He Doesn't Care

Photo By Brad Eastland



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